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#### PREFACE.

This, the fifth, edition of the Lessons in Gaelic has been prepared for the press at the request of the late Mr John Noble, a man who, both as publisher and as writer, has done much for Highland literature, and whose memory ought to be held in honour by his countrymen.

The author has taken the opportunity to revise and improve the Lessons. The instructions regarding pronunciation have been extended and exercises added; the Article is no longer treated by itself, but along with the noun; notes on aspiration, euphony, and position of words have been introduced into nearly all lessons; a new chapter has been added on Prepositional Verbs, as well as Prepositional Pronouns; the extracts in verse are reduced; and the Gaelic names of towns and countries have been added to the vocabulary.

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# GAELIC LESSONS.

# I.—ALPHABET AND PRONUNCIATION.

The characters used in Scotch Gaelic are the following eighteen letters of the Roman alphabet:—a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, l, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u.

#### Vowels,

When marked with the diacritics called accents, the vowels are long, thus à è é ì ò ó ù. The simple vowel sounds are as follows:—

à, ài	as	in	English	far. I	Examples	càs, càil.
	٠,		"	parry.	,,	cas, cailc
è, èa, èu	١.,	٠,	,,,	where.	,,,	gnè, nèamh, mèud.
é, éi, éu	,,	,,	,,	whey.	21	dé, céir, réul.
e, ea, ei	,,	,,	33	whet, sur'	vey "	deth, fear; breab, geir.
ì, ìo	,,	,,	11	machine.	11	clì, cìob.
i, io	21	,,	"	rat <i>i</i> fy	33	clis, fios.
ò, òi	,,	,,	**	cord.	"	pòr, còir.
6, 6 <b>i</b>	,,	,,	,,	cold.		có, cóig.
o, oi	,,	17		hot, canto	• ,,	olc, con; crodh, fois.
ù, ù <b>i</b>	,,	,,	29	pull.	,,	cù, sùil.
u, ui	"	"	,,	put.	,,,	cur, druid.

The digraphs in the above table practically represent simple vowel sounds, the second vowels being very faintly heard. Before the labials b, f, m and p, however, i is more distinctly heard. Examples—caib, cnaip.

The single vowels are divided into two classes—the broad, a, o, u, and the small, e, i.

ao, which is a single vowel sound, is always long, like u in purr, pronounced long. Example—maor.

a and o, when followed by *Il* or nn, are usually pronounced au and ou. Examples—fann, fonn.

**a,** in an unaccented syllable, or before dh or gh, has the sound of u in but. Examples—coma, lagh.

e, in an unaccented syllable, is pronounced as in cover,

Example—duine.

**o**, followed by b, g, m, p, or dh, is pronounced as in canto.

Examples—gob, bog, crodh, lomadh.

In the diphthongs and triphthongs ea; eh; eò, eòi; eó, eói; eo, eoi; ia, iai; iù, iùi; iu, iui; ua, uai, the first and second vowels are heard. Examples—geadh, fehrr, eòlas, feòil; Eóghainn, Leómhann; deoch, geoic; iar, fiaire; iùl, ciùil; iuchair, tiuighe; uan, uaine. Before b, f, m and p the final i is also heard. Examples—fuaim, uaip.

eà, éa, eó, and eói are rarely used.

Most vowels are somewhat nasal when in contact with m, mh, or n.

#### Consonants.

B is pronounced harder than in English. Example—obair.

C before a broad vowel hard, as in can; before a small vowel as in came; never soft like s; when final chk. Examples—cas, céum, ioc.

 $\hat{D}$  with a broad vowel a little softer than in English, produced by placing the tongue near the tip in contact with

the teeth or between the teeth. Example—da.

D with a small vowel like j or dj in English. Example—dé.

F as in English.

G always hard as in got or get; when final hard like k.

Examples—gu, ge, bog.

H never appears in Gaelic except along with some other consonant or followed by a hyphen.

L with a broad vowel, like !!! in although. Example—làn. L preceded by a small vowel, or initial followed by a

small vowel in the past tense of verbs, or in the word le and its derivatives—hard as in English. Example—gil, lean, leam.

L, initial with a small vowel, liquid—nearly as in million, formed by placing the surface of the tongue about the centre to the roof of the mouth. Example—lion.

o the root of the mouth. Example—non.

LI with broad vowel, thick like Ith. Example—call. LI with small vowel, like I in million. Example—fill,

M as in English, but more nasal. Example-cam.

N as in English. Example—ban.

N, initial followed by a small vowel (except in nis and the verb ni and past tense of verbs)—liquid, nearly as in pinion. Example—neo,

Nn with a broad vowel formed by placing the tongue

near the tip against the teeth. Example-Bann.

Nn with small vowel, nearly as in pinion. Example—Binn. P as in English, but after am almost as soft as B. When

final, it is more breathy—hp. Examples—Pill, am pill? Cnap.

R with a broad vowel, as in rod. Example—ro. R with a small vowel, as in Azian. Example—ri.

S with a broad vowel, as in English. Example—Sal.

S with a small vowel (and in the word so) is equal to English sh.

T with a broad vowel, formed not with hard stiff tongue tip, but with a soft pressure of the tongue against the teeth. Example—ta.

T with a small vowel like ch in ch ase. Example—tinn. After an, c is softened to g, and t to d, as—an cu; an  $t\acute{e}$ .

#### ASPIRATED CONSONANTS.

The consonants b, c, d, f, g, m, p, s, and t are sometimes modified by adding h. This gives a breathy effect called aspiration.

Bh like v in English.

Ch, guttural as in German, or in the Scotch word trachle.

Dh and gh with a broad vowel almost like gh in ugh, or g in the German word Tag; with a small vowel equal to y.

Fh is silent, except in the words, fhuair, fhein, and fhathast, where the h is heard.

Mh like v, but more nasal.

Ph like f.

Sh and th like h.

The consonants l, n, and r are never aspirated.

#### COMBINED CONSONANTS.

Chd sounds like chk. Example-reachd.

Rt with a broad vowel is like rst; with a small vowel it sounds rsj. Examples—mart, beairt.

When l, n, or r is followed by b, g, m, or p, a vowel is

heard between the two consonants. Thus calg, is pronounced calag; calpa, calapa; falbh, falabh; searg, searag; airm, airim.

#### EUPHONY.

When two vowels meet so that both cannot readily be pronounced, the less important is omitted, and an apostrophe marks its place, as—Do'n (for do an) duine, to the man.

Consonants preceded by a broad vowel (a, o, or u) must

not be followed by a small vowel (e or i) or vice versa.

All Gaelic words are accented on the first syllable.

th Gaene words are accented on the

#### Exercise 1.

Pronounce the following words-

6. 2. 4. Bas, bàs. ged, rè. fir, sìn, cor, còrr. Cat, càrn. leth, gnè. boc, bòrd. ith, fill. Dath, dàn. fear, nèamh. dol, dòrn. lios, lìon. Far, fàg. nead, searbh. olc, clò. diog, dion. Gach, gann. leig, sgèimh. cron, sròn. 7. Lag, lanih. meas, mèud. thoir, mòid. bus, cù. Mac, mall. toil, còir. cur, cùl. Nach, nàird. teth, té. tuig, sùil. 5. Pailt, pàig. seic, séid. tog, mór. 8. Raip, ràichd. ceil, céir. ochd, bó. lagh, laogh. Saic, sàil. fead, féum, troidh, óisg. seadh, saor. Taigh, tràill. beag, béul. fois, foill. am, aom.

Crèadh fearr deoch ceò ial diù luath laoigh Brèagh meann neo-ni feòil diugh triùir luaithe saoil

#### Exercise 2.

ubhal bha dubh tarbh bhreith Barr binn cab Call cinn tric cho lochd chroch circ cliù Dad dé bìd dha dhroch biadh dh'fhill fhuair Guth gin lag ghabh gheibh glaodh ghràidh àgh Là ĺίρ càl cill balg balbh calma dlùth Mall meall lóm geamhradh mheall damh mhór amhgar ghnàth Nall ni làn cnoc tnù mnaoi ann pill? phloc plàigh Poll pioc ap phill phronn Rann ris cearb dorcha airm uirghioll air cearr Sùil sil càs cìs shìn t-slat spliuig sgliop Tog at ite tha tlachd tric steach tig

#### 11. - NOUNS.

There are, for Gache Nouns, two Genders, the Masculine and Feminine; two Numbers, the Singular for one object, and the Plural for more than one object; and four Cases. When a noun is the subject of a sentence, it is in the Nominative; when denoting possession, it is in the Genitive Case; when preceded by a Preposition, the Dative is used; and when the person or thing is addressed, it is put in the Vocative.

#### MASCULINE.

Masculine Nouns form their Genitive and Vocative Singular and Nominative Plural by inserting i before the final Consonant or Consonants, and their Vocative Plural by adding a. The Dative Plural is given by grammarians as ending in ibh, but this form is almost obsolete.

Cat (m), a cat.

S	ingular.	Plural.
Nom.	Ĉat, a cat.	Cait, cats.
Gen.	Cait, of a cat.	Chat, of cats.
Dat.	Cat, a cat.	Cait (cataibh), cats.
Voc.	Chait! O cat.	Chata! O cals.

When, however, the last vowel is *i*, no change can take place in the Singular, while the Nom. Plur. is generally formed by adding *ean*. An example is—

Uaireadair (m), a time-piece.

	Singular.	Ptural.
	Uaireadair.	Uaireadaire or ear
Gen.	Uaireadair.	Uaireadair or ean,
Dat.	Uaireadair.	Uaireadairean.
Voc.	Uaireadair.	Uaireadaire.

#### FEMININE.

Feminine Nouns insert i before the last Consonant in the Genitive Singular and add e; in the Dative Singular they insert i; and for the Nom. and Noc. Plural they add an. Example—

	Drog	(1.), "	3/100.
Ĭ,	ing.		Plur.
Nomin.	Bròg.		Brògan.
Gen.	Broige.		Bhròg or bhiògan.
Dat.	Bròig.		Brogan (brogaibh),
Voc.	Bhiog,		Bhiogan.

Feminine Nouns which have *i* for their last vowel are declined in the same way, except, of course, that the *i* is not doubled. Example—

#### Tir (f.), a land.

Sin	g.	Plur.
Nom.	Tir.	Tirean.
Gen.	Tire.	Thir or thirean.
Dat.	Tir.	Tirean
Voc.	Thir.	Thirean.

A is usually placed as a sign of the Vocative Case; thus, a dhuine, O man. Sometimes, as in English, O is used as—O bhean! O woman!

#### ASPIRATION.

The letters which are capable of aspiration (that is taking the modifying addition of h) for the Vocative Singular, Vocative Plural, and Genitive Plural are b, c, d, f, g, m, p, s and t.

#### VOCABULARY.

Agus, and.
Air, on.
Cinn, heads.
Aite, m., a place.
Bàrd, m.,a poet.
Bean, f., a wife, woman.
Ceann, m., a head.
Cinn, heads.
Cluas, f., an ear.
Iall, f., a lace, thong.

#### Exercise 3.

Brògan. Teangaidh broige. Ceann cait. Cinn chat, Bean duine. Air broig. Air cat. Air tir. Duine agus bean. Aite bàird. Teangaidh bàird. O Bhàrda! Ial agus bròg. Brògan agus iallan. Cluas cait. Cluasan chat. Iallan agus teangaidhean bhròg.

#### Exercise 4.

Cats. Lands. Of a shoe. Of shoes. On a man. On a shoe. Of poets. Tongues of shoes. A lace of a shoe. Laces of shoes. A place of cats. A poet's ear. On land. Head of land.

#### III.-NOUN-SPECIAL FORMS.

The following classes of Nouns are more or less irregular in their declensions:

- r.—Polysyllables usually have the Nominative and Genitive Plural alike, and form the Dative Plural from the Nom. Plur., as—Coinneal, *a candle*; Plur., coinnlean, *candles*; Dat. Plur., coinnlean (or coinnlibh.)
- 2.—Nouns in ea and io usually have the Gen. Sing. in i, thus—Cearc f., a hen; Gen., circe; Dat., circ, &c. Ceann m., a head; cinn, &c. Exceptions—each, a horse, eich; fearg, anger, feirg.
- 3.—Words in ia have their Gen. Sing., and Nom. Plur. in ei, as—Fiadh m., a deer; Gen., féidh; iasg m., a fish; Gen., eisg, &c. Exceptions—Sgian, a knife; sgine.
- . 4.—Many Monosyllables in a and o have the Gen. in ui, as—Bòrd m., a table; Gen., buird; Falt m., hair; Gen., fuilt.
- 5'—Some words in a and u form the Gen. by adding a instead of inserting i, as Cath m., a fight; Gen., catha.
- 6.—Monosyllables in oi and ui often change oi or ui into o or a for the Genitive, as—Fuil f., blood, Gen., fola or fala; feoil f., flesh; Gen., feola; sùil f., an eye; Gen sùla; Nom. Plur., sùilean; Gen. Plur., sùil.
- 7.—Nouns in eud, eul, eur, eur, eus, and a few in a have the Gen. Sing. in oi, as Bèul m., a mouth; Gen., beòil; Dat. bèul; Voc., bheòil; Plur., beòil, &c.
- 8.—Many Nouns in l or le, n or ne, insert t in the Plural, thus—Tuil f., a flood; Plural, tuiltean; teine, m., a fire; Plural, teintean; baile m., a town; Plur., bailtean.
- 9.—Nouns ending in *chd*, or Monosyllables in a Vowel, are indeclinable in the Singular.
- to.—Feminine Nouns in ail or air are usually Declined thus:—

Ivoni.	Gen.	Plur.
Cathair, a chair.	Cathrach.	Cathraichean
Dàil, <i>delay</i> .	Dàlach.	Dàlaichean.
Lasair, a flame.	Lasrach.	Lasraichean.

#### 11.—The following Nouns form their cases irregularly:-

Nom.	Gen.	Plural.
Amhainn f., a river.	Aimhne.	Aimhnichean.
Athair m., a father.	Athar.	Aithrichean.
Banais f., a wedding.	Bainnse.	Bainnsean.
Bean f., a woman.	Mna (Dat. Mnaoi.)	Mnathan.
Bràthair m., a brother.	Brathar.	Bràthraichean or
		Bràithrean,
Cridhe m., a heart.	Cridhe.	Cridheachan.
Cù m., a dog.	Coin.	Coin (Gen. Con.)
Dia m., God.	Dé.	Dé or Diathan.
Duine m., a man.	Duine,	Daoine.
Dùthaich f., a country.	Dùthcha.	Dutbchannan.
Fiacail f., a tooth.	Fiacla.	Fiaclan.
Gobhainn m., a smith.	Goibhne.	Goibhnean.
Là, latha m., a day.	Latha.	Laithean or
		Lathaichean.
Leabaidh f., a bed.	Leapa.	Leapaichean.
Leabhar m. and f., a book.	Leabhair.	Leabhraichean.
Mac m., a son.	Mic.	Mic or Macan.
Madainn f., a morning.	Maidne.	Maidnean.
Màthair f., a mother.	Màthar.	Mathraichean.
Obair f., a work.	Oibre.	Oibre.
Piuthar f., a sister.	Peathar.	Peathraichean.
Uisge m., water.	Uisge.	Uisgeachan.
Teine m., a fire.	Teine.	Teineachan.

#### Fxercise 5.

Obair latha. Mac athar. Cridhe Dhé. Aithrichean agus màthraichean. Macan dhaoine. Air leapa. Cridhe feòla. Tìrean agus bailtean. Uisge aimhne. Ceann feidh. Cinn chearc. A mhic! Bean bràthar. Piuthar màthar. Bean mic. Mnathan agus daoine.

#### Exercise 6.

Cats' teeth. A poet's book. A river's mouth. Dogs and cats. Sisters and brothers. Flames of fire. Men and women. A father's place. Works of God. A bed of a river. Fire and water.

#### IV .- THE GENDER OF NOUNS.

#### The following classes are usually

#### Masculine .-

- 1. Nouns signifying males, as -Fear, a man.
- 2. Diminutives in an, as—Bordan, a small table.
- 3. Derivatives, for the most part agents, in ear, ach, airs and iche, as saighdear, a soldier, Albannach, a Scotchman, uaireadair, a timepiece, oibriche, a workman,
- 4 Derivatives, usually abstract Nouns, in as, as Maitheas goodness.
- 5. Nouns signifying the young of animals, as—Laogh, a calf.
  - 6. Names of native trees, as-Darach, oak.
- 7. Common Nouns characterised by a broad Vowel, as  $B\partial rd$ , a table.

#### The following are for the most part

#### Feminine:-

- t. Nouns signifying females, as -Bean, a wife,
- 2. Diminutives in ag, as—Craobhag, a little tree.
- 3. Derivatives in *achd*, *aid*, and *e*, as—*Môrachd*, greatness; *soillse*, brightness.
  - 4. Names of countries, as-Albainn, Scotland.
  - 5. Names of musical instruments, as-Piob, a pipe.
  - 6. Names of the heavenly bodies, as -A' ghrian, the sun.
  - 7. Common Nouns in a small Vowel, as-Tir, a land.

Nouns signifying Male agents are made Feminine by prefixing ban, as—Ban-righ, a queen.

When the sex of Nouns signifying animals is doubtful it may be specified by affixing *firionn*, male, or *boirionn*, female, as—*Laogh boirionn*, a she calf.

In the diminutive affixes an, ean, ag, and eag, and the affix ach, the Vowels have the sound of a in fat.

#### VOCABULARY.

Aig. at. Albainn f. (Gen. na h-Alba, Dat. Alba), Scotland. Ann an, in. Anns an, in the. Fear m., a male, a man.

A deanamh, making, doing. Blaths m., warmth. Le, leis, with. Maith, good. Grian (Gen. greine) f., a sun. Solus m . light. Tha, is or are; there is or arc. A tabhairt, giving,

#### Exercise 7.

Mórachd agus maitheas Dhé. Tha daoine maith air tìr. Aig banais. Aig bainnsean. Oibriche mór, Pìob na h-Alba. Tha a' ghrian a deanamh soillse. Uisge aimhne Ban-righ dùthcha. Laoghan firionn. Laoigh agus coin. Daoine na h-Alba. Ceann craobhaig. Craobhaig dharaich. Aig tir. Ann an aite. Anns an aite. Ceann fir. Tha goibhnean a deanamh oibre. Le solus. 1 e mnaoi. Peathraichean maith, Tha a ghrian a tabhairt soluis. Blaths teine. Falt cinn mna. Beul aimhne.

#### Frercise 8.

There are warmth and brightness in the sun. Little trees. A calf's head. In the country. Flames of fire. A woman's eyes. A small table and a fire. In a fire. In the fire. There is oak in Scotland. In the day. A soldier and a workman. A delay of a day. A sister's son. A fire is giving warmth. There is water in the river. A good man. good light. In a place at a town. With a sister. A mother's work.

#### V.—NOUNS WITH ARTICLE.

The Gaelic Article is an, corresponding to English the. The English Indefinite Article a or an has no equivalent in Gaelic, thus a man is in Gaelic simply duine,

Gaelic words which stand for their class have the Article,

as—Tha an duine bàsmhor, Man is mortal.

The Article cannot precede Nouns in the Vocative Case. When a Noun governs another in the Genitive, both cannot have the Article. Thus we say Solus an teine not An solus an teine-The light of the fire.

Masculine Nouus.

Singular. Nom. An cat, the cat. Na cait, the cats. Gen. A' chait, of the cat. Nan cat, of the cats. Dat. A' chat, the cat. Na cait, or cataibh, the cats.

Am and An.—Before Masculine Nouns which begin with b, f, m, or p the Article for the Nominative Singular is am; before other letters it is an. Examples—am bord, an duine, am fuaim, an laogh.

Aspiration.—Masculine Nouns beginning with b, c, f, g, m, and p have these Consonants aspirated in the Genitive and Dative Singular, when preceded by the Article, as Anns an

fhalt, in the hair; aig a' bhlàths, at the warmth.

Euphony.—Masculine Nouns in a Vowel have t between the Article and the Noun in the Nominative Singular, and h in the Nominative and Dative Plural, as-An t-uisge, the water; air na h-uisgeachaibh, on the waters.

Feminine Nouns.

Singular. Plural. Nom. A' chearc, the hen. Na cearcan, the hens. Gen. Na circe, of the hen. Nan cearc, of the hens. Dat. A' chirc, the hen. Na cearcaibh, or cearcan, the hens.

A' and An.—Before Feminine Nouns which begin with b, c, g, m, or p, the form of the Article in the Nominative Singular is a'; before other letters it is an. Examples—a' bhean, a' chearc, a' phiuthar, a' mhadainn; an dùthaich, an fheòil, an leabaidh, an obair.

Aspiration.—Feminine Nouns in b, c, f, g, m, and p, are aspirated in the Nominative and Dative Singular, as above,

Euphony.—Feminine Nouns beginning with s, followed by l, n, r, or a Vowel, insert t between the Article and the Noun in the Nominative and Dative Singular, as—An t-sùil, the eve. The s is not heard after t, and the t itself is softened to the sound of d.

Feminine Nouns in a Vowel insert h between the Article and the Noun in the Genitive Singular and the Nominative and Dative Plural, as—Uisge na h-aimhne, the water of the river: Na h-aimhnicheau, the rivers.

#### Vocabulary.

Air son (with Genitive), for. Leabhar, m and f., a book. Ceann m., a head, an end. Sebmar m., a room.

Còta m., a coat (plur. còtaichean.) Sin, that.

Fuaim m., a sound, noise. So (pronounced sho) this. Fada, long. Sruth m., a stream.

Atharrachadh m., an alteration.

Nouns qualified by sin and so require the Article also, as —an duine sin, that man; a' bhean so, this woman.

#### Exercise 9.

Tha leabhraichean an duine air a' bhòrd anns an t seòmar. Tha solus an latha maith air son nan sùl. Anns na h-oibribh. Dia nan aithrichean. Crudhe na dùthcha. Bha an t-naireadair a' deanamh fuaim. Tha na h-uaireadairean ann an còta an duine. Tha còtaichean air na daoine anns a' bhaile. Na h-aimhnichean fada. Fuaim an t-sruth. An leabhar. An leabhair. An seòmar. Na fuaimean. Air son nan seòmar. Air son na circe, Solus nan sùl. A' mhadainn. Na maidne, Aimhnichean na dùthcha. Fiacail coin. Fiaclan nan con. Fiaclan a' choin. Bèul a' choin. Obair an latha. An t-athair agus am mac. Mic an duine sin.

#### Exercise 10.

The water of the rivers. The river. The river's water. The dog's teeth. The stream of water. The man's coat. The head of the bed. The sound of the river. In the cye. The water of the river is good. On the waters. The dog was in the stream. The man was at the table with the books. A dogs' fight. The floods are making a noise. The man's coat is on the table. The alteration was good. The father's heart and the hearts of the sons. A stream of light. In the waters. The end of the day,

#### VI.—ADJECTIVES.

#### DECLENSION.

Adjectives are declined in the same manner as Nouns. Example of Adjective characterised by a broad Vowel:—

#### Mór, great.

Masculine.	Feminine.	Plural
Nom. Mór.	Mhór.	Móra.
Gen. Mhóir	. Móire.	Móra.
Dat. Mór.	Mhóir.	Móra.
Voc. Mhóir	. Mhór.	Móra.

Example of Adjective characterised by a small Vowel:-

#### Tinn, sick.

Masculine.	Feminine.	Plural.
Nom. Tinn.	Thinn.	Tinne.
Gen, Thinn.	Tinne.	Tinne.
Dat. Tinn.	Thinn.	Tinne.
Voc. Thinn.	Thinn.	Tinne.

Exception 1.—Polysyllables have the Plural like the Nominative Singular, as Cù bòidheach, a pretty dog; Plural, coin bhòidheach, pretty dogs.

Exception 2.—A few dissyllables add the Vowel in the Plural, and suffer a contraction, as—Laogh reamhar, a fat calf; laoigh reamhra, fat calves.

Exception 3.—Polysyllables do not add the Vowel to the Genitive Feminine, as Làidir, strong; blàths na lasrach làidir, the warmth of the strong flame.

Exception 4:—Adjectives ending in a Vowel or chd are usually indeclinable.

#### COMPARISON.

The First Comparison is formed by adding e to the Genitive Singular Masculine, as — Geal, white, Genitive Singular Masculine, gil, Comparative, gile, whiter.

Some Adjectives have also a Second Comparative, formed from the First by changing final e into id, as—saor, cheap;

saoire, *cheaper*; saoirid, the cheaper. Thus—The man is good, tha an duine maith. The man is better, tha an duine no's fhearr. The man is the better of this, is fheaird an duine so.

Adjectives which are contracted in the Plural retain their contracted form in the Comparative, as—Milis, sweet, Plural,

milse, Comparative milse, sweeter.

The following form their Comparative irregularly:-

Positive. 1st Comparative. 2nd Comparative. Beag, small. Lugha Lughaid. Dorra (duileadh). Duilich, difficult. Duilead. Fagus, faisge, near. Faisge. Furas, easy. Usadh. Goirid, gearr, short. Giorra. Giorraid. Ionmhuinn, beloved. Annsa (ionmhuinne). Làidir, strong. Làidire (treise). Treisid. Leathan, broad. Leatha. Leathaid. Maith, good. Feàrr. Feaird. Mór, great. Mò, or motha. Moid or moid. Olc, evil. Miosa. Misd Teth, hot. Teotha. Teothaid.

The Superlative Degree of Comparison is, in Gaelic, expressed by the First Comparative, as—Amhainn ni 's fhaide, a longer river; an amhainn a's fhaide, the longest river.

Adjectives are intensified by prefixing the Particles glé, 10, sàr, &c., as—Glé làidir, very strong; ro mhaith, exceedingly good. Ro also means too, as—Ro theth, very hot or too hot. Adjectives preceded by these words are aspirated.

#### Position.

Adjectives follow their Nouns, as—Duine maith, a good man.

Exception 1.—When a quality is affirmed this rule does not hold, as—Is teth an lasair sin, hot is that flame.

Exception 2.—Some Adjectives may precede and unite with their Nouns, as—Sluagh mor, a great concourse; mor shluagh, a multitude.

Exception 3.—A few Adjectives always precede their Nouns, as—Deagh obair, a good work; drech dhuine, a bad man: se.nn bhean, an old woman.

#### ASPIRATION.

Adjectives which precede their Noun aspirate its initial Consonant, as—Droch dhuine, a bad man.

#### VOCABULARY.

Sluagh, sluaigh m., a people.
Ach, hut
Ach, hut
Ach, is or are.
A bheil? am, art, is? are? or
is there? are there?
A. who, that.
A dheanamh, to do, to make.

A's marks the Superlative Degree, —An duine a's mo, the tallest man. Used also in comparing with the Verb "is," as—Is e an duine so a's mò. This man is the taller or tallest, or, it is this man who is the tallert.

Ni's (or na's) is used when a superior Degree is meant, as —Duine ni's mò. a taller man. That an duine ni's mò, the man is taller; bha an duine ni bu mhò, the man was taller.

Comparison may also be expressed by the Verb "is" and "na," as—Is mò an duine na a' bhean, the man is taller than the woman.

#### Exercise 11.

Fear a' chinn mhóir. A bheil an dùthaich sin ni 's fheàrr na Albainn? Is fheàird an dùthaich an t-uisge. Bha a' bhean so gle thinn. Tha an amhainn so ni's fhaide agus ni's leatha nn na h-aimhnichean a's mò a tha ann an Alba. A bhraithre (Voc. Plur.) ionmhuinn, is treise duine maith na duine mór. Sluagh nan cridheachan nile. Ann an tuiltibh móra nan uisgeachan làidir.

#### Exercise 12.

A taller tree and a stronger stream. The calf is the better of this. This country is great, that land is greater, but Scotland is greatest. At that town is a broad stream. The deen are the worse of that. The work was too difficult. The workman was making a bad noise. The strongest and best man, and the most beautiful (a's boidhche) and beloved woman. Is the book large?

#### VII. - NUMERALS.

#### CARDINAL NUMERALS.

The following are the Gaelic Cardinal Numerals joined with a Noun:—

an Fichead duine

T	Aon dume, one man.	20	richead dunie.
2	Dà dhuine.	2 I	Aon duine air fhichead.
3	Trì daoine.	22	Dà dhuine air fhichead.
4	Ceithir daoine.	23	Trì daoine air fhichead.
5	Cuig, cóig daoine.	30	Deich daoine air fhichead
6	Sè, sèa daoine.	40	Dà fhichead duine.
	Seachd daoine.	50	Leth-cheud duine.
	Ochd daoine.	60	Trì fichead duine.
	Naoi daoine	100	Céud ar ciad duine

9 Naoi daoine.
10 Deich daoine.
11 Aon duine déug, or diag.
12 Sè fichead duine.

11 Aon duine déug, or diag. 120 Se nchead duine.
12 Da dhuine dhéug. 200 Dà chéud duine.
13 Trì daoine déug. 1,000 Mile duine.

These Numerals can be used without a Noun, as—A h-aon, one; a dhà, two, a trì three. They may also be preceded by the Article—an aon, the one; na dhà, the two; na trì, the three.

Nouns qualified by the Numerals dà, fichead, céud, or mile take the Singular form

#### ORDINAL NUMERALS.

The following are the Ordinal Numbers with a Noun :-

I A chéud, or chiad duine, the first man.

\* Aon duine and man

- 2 An dara duine.
- 3 An treas, or trìtheamh duine.
- 4 An ceathramh duine.
- 5 An cùigeamh duine.
- 6 An séathamh duine. 7 An seachdamh duine.
- 8 An t-ochdamh duine.

- 22 An dara duine air fhichead.
- 30 An deicheamh duine air fhichead.
- 40 An dà fhicheadamh duine.
- 50 An leth-cheudamh duine.
- 60 An trì ficheadamh duine.

9 An naothamh duine. An naoitheamh duine

10 An deicheamh duine. 11 An t-aon duine déug

12 An dara duine déug.

13 An treas duine déug.

20 Am ficheadamh duine,

21 An t-aon duine air fhichead,

120 An sèa ficheadamh duine.

1,000 Am mileamh duine

eamh duine.

The following Cardinal Numerals are used only for Persons:—

2 Dithis, two, or two persons.

3 Triùir. 4 Ceathrar.

5 Cùignear.

6 Sèathnar, seisear.

7 Seachdnar.

8 Ochdnar.

9 Naoinear.

These may be used with the Genitive Plural of Nouns, as Ceathrar, four persons; ceathrar bhan four (of) women.

Indefinite Numerals are Adjectives that express number in a general manner, as—Iomadh, many a; gach, every. To these may be added móran, many, and beagan, few, which are in reality Nouns, and govern the Genitive Plural of Nouns.

Uile, all, followed by a Noun, expressed or understood, is preceded by the Article, as—Na h-uile, all, every one; a' h uile duine, every man; na h-u'le dhaoine, all men.

#### Position.

Numeral Adjectives precede their Noun, as—Mile fear, a thousand men.

Except such Indefinite Numerals as gann, scarce, tearc, few, lionmhor, numerous, which follow their Noun, as—Sluagh lionmhor, a numerous people. These, however, seldom accompany the Noun, being more often used as a predicate, as—Is lionmhor luchd-oibre an uilc, many are the workers of evil.

#### Aspiration.

"Aon" aspirates the initial Consonant of following Noun, except the Consonants d, t, and s, as—Aon bhean, one wife.

"Da" and "an ceud," the first, aspirate all aspirable Consonants.

#### VOCABULARY.

Bha, was, were; there was or were.

Bliadhna, -chan f., a year,
Seomar, m., a room.

Uair, -ean f., an hour, one
o'clock, dauair, twoo'clock, &-c.
Iad, they.

#### Exercise 13.

Am bheil gach sèathamh fear maith? Tha móran Albannach anns an tir sin. Fichead cat agus naoi coin déug. Aig an tritheamh uair. Na daoine a tha anns na céud àitibh anns a' bhaile. Is fhearr iomadh bean na na daoine a's fhearr. Tha céud mìle duine làidir, agus móran sluaigh anns a' bhaile sin. Air an treas là bha naoinear oibriche a' deanamh na h aimhne ni 's leatha. Aig céud sholus an latha. Tha aon leabhar déug air fhichead air a bhòrd anns an t-seòmar sin. Tha e da uair dheug. Tha daoine maith tearc anns na bailtibh so. Bha piuthar an fhir so glé thinn aig sèa uairean. Tha an t-seann bhean sin ceithir fichead bliadhna.

#### Exercise 14.

Many people were in that place on the first day of the year. There are 365 days in the year. At the sixth hour. In the twenty largest towns in the kingdom. In that little room there are three beds, one table, five chairs, and many books. Eighteen hundred and ninety-seven. There are many rivers longer than that. Rivers are more numerous in that country. Trees were scarce. There are a few trees in the town. Are there two persons in the water? They are numerous. Towns are few in that land.

#### VIII.- PRONOUN.

The Personal Pronouns are as follows:-

	Singular.	Plural.
1	Mi, mise, I, me.	Sinn, sinne, we, us.
	Tu, tusa, thou, thee, you.	Sibh, sibhse, ye, you.
3	{ I, si, ise, she, her, it. E, se, e-san, he him it.	Iad, siad, they, them

The additional se, sa, san or ne is added for emphasis.

The Plural Pronoun *sibh*, with its Possessive *bhur*, is applied to seniors and superiors, even when there is but one person.

The Possessive Pronouns are these:-

	Singular.	Plural.
Ι	Mo, $my$ .	Ar, our.
2	Do, thy, your.	Bhur, Jour.
3	A, his, her, its.	An, am, their.

When the emphatic se, sa, &c., is used with these, it is affixed to the Noun, or to the Adjective if one follow the Noun, as—Ar taigh-ne, our house; mo thaigh mór-sa, my large house. When there are more than one Adjective the particle is affixed to the last.

Am, 'their' is used before words beginning with b, f, m, and p.

For the sake of euphony the Possessive Pronoun a 'his' is suppressed before or after a Vowel, the omission being marked by an apostrophe, as—Taigh 'athar (for taigh a athar), his father's house. When a 'her' is followed by a Noun with a Vowel. h is interposed, as—Taigh a h-athar, her father's house. Mo and do lose the Vowel before a word beginning with a Vowel, and are changed to am and ad when preceded by the Preposition "ann." Ar and bhur take n before a Vowel, as—ar n-athair, our father,

The word "fein" corresponds to the English self or own, as—Mi fein, myself; mo bhean fein, my own wife,

The Relative Pronouns are—Nominative and Accusative, a, Dative, an, am, volo, whom, volich, that; nach, who not, volich not. The Relative na, that which, all that which, is used without an antecedent Noun.

The Demonstrative Pronouns are—So, this; sin, that; sud, ud, yon. These all require the use of the Article, as—Am fear so, this man; an t-aite sud, yon place.

The Interrogative Pronouns are—Có? who? cia? what? ciod? what? When used not alone but with a noun the article must precede the noun, as—Có an duine? What man?

The Personal and Demonstrative Pronouns are thus combined:—

E so, this man, this same. E sin, that man or thing. E sud, yon man or thing. Iad so, these. Iad sin, those, &c.

The Indefinite Pronouns are-Ge b' e, whatever, whoever' eile, other, &c.

#### Position.

The Personal and Demonstrative Pronouns take the place of the Noun, that is immediately following the Verb.

The Relative is placed after its Noun, and preceding its own Verb.

The Possessive and Interrogative Pronouns precede their Nouns as in English.

#### Aspiration.

Mo, do, and a (his', aspirate initial Consonants of Nouns following.

So, sin and sud are never aspirated.

#### VOCABULARY.

An so, here. An sin, there. Dèan, do, will do. Olc, uilc, m., evil.
Taigh, tigh, e, ean, m., a house aig an taigh, at home.

Ni, nithean, m., a thing.

#### Exercise 15.

Am bheil an dhuine sin ni's miosa na thusa? Bha mi fein agus mo bhean agus mac mo pheathar ann an taigh d' athar air an là sin. Có tha a' deanamh an fhuaim sin? Is e sin fear nach dean olc. An dhuine agus a chòta. Gach duine a bha làidir. Ge b' e baile. Cíod an t-olc a tha ann ad chridhe? Is iad sin (those are) mo leabhraichean sa. Bha iadsan a bha anns an taigh tinn Is e sin an duine a tha ochd bliadhna diag air fhichead ann an tigh mac brathar m'athar.

Co thusa?—Is mise duine n's fhearr na thu fein. Ciod e so?—Is e so ni gle dhuilich.

#### Exercise 16.

My eight sons were in the works on that day. Do this, and you (Sing.) will be the better of it. There were many oak trees (trees of oak) in the place. I was at home myself at three o'clock. The people of my country are better than your people. You (Plur.) were in you town? The man's own wife is ill. We are very numerous in our town.

#### IX.—SUBSTANTIVE VERB.

The Substantive and Auxiliary Verb bi, be, is conjugated as follows :-

#### AFFIRMATIVE MOOD.

#### Present Tensc.

Tha or ta mi or taim, I am,
Tha thu, thou art, you are.
Tha e or i, he, she, or it is.

Tha sin, we are.
Tha sibh, you are.
Tha iad or taid, they are 3

Past Tense.

Bha mi, I was, &c.

Future Tense.

Bithidh mi, I shall be Bithidh tu, thou shalt be, &c.

#### INTERROGATIVE MOOD.

Present—Bheil, or beil mi? am I? &c. Past-Robh mi? was I? have I been? &c. Future—Bi mi? shall I be? &c.

#### SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD.

Past { Bhithinn, I would be. Bhitheamaid, we would be. Bhitheamhid, we would be. Bhitheadh, bhiodh or tu, thou wouldst be, &c.

Future-Ma bhitheas, If I shall be, &c.

#### IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Sing. { I Bitheam or b o n, let me be. 2 Bi or bi thusa, be or be thou. 3 Bhitheadh or biodh e or i, let him, her, or it be. Plur. { I Bitheamaid, let us be. 2 Bithibh, be ye. 3 Bitheadh or biodh iad, let them be.

#### INFINITE MOOD.

Present-A bhith or bhi, to be. Past-Air bhith or bhi, after being, having been. Future—Gu bhith or bhi, about to be, Bith, being,

The Interrogative Mood becomes Negative by prefixing the Negative Particles, thus—

Cha-n 'eil mi, I am not. Nach 'eil mi? am I not? Mur 'eil mi, if I am not.

The Emphatic Verb 'Is mi,' I am or it is I, is used only in the Present and Past Tenses, and is thus conjugated:—

# Affirmative Mood. Present—Is mi, it is I, &c. Past—Bu mhi, it was I, &c.

#### INTERROGATIVE MOOD.

Present—Am mi? is it I? An tu? Is it thou? &c.
Past—Am bu mhi? was it I? am bu tu? &c.

Contrary to the general rule, 'is' is pronounced as iss, not ish.

Is and bu lose the Vowel when placed next to another Vowel, as—B'e (for bu e), it was he,

The Interrogative Particle 'Am' may be replaced by the Negative Particles, ni, cha, mur, or by co? cia? as—Cha mhi, it is not I; co thusa? who art thou?

When the verb 'is' is used to affirm a quality, the Noun is preceded by the Article, as—Is truagh an duine e, he is a miserable man (lit., miserable is the man he).

The following Adverbial Particles frequently accompany the Verb:—

Cha, not, mur, if not, nach, not, and ni, not, are used with the Interrogative Mood and the Past Subjunctive; nam, if, sit used with the Past Subjunctive; nan, if, with the Past Interrogative; na, not, with the Imperative; and na, if, with the Present and Past Affirmative and Future Subjunctive.

The Interrogative Particle 'am' is used with the Present and Future Interrogative and the Past Subjunctive; 'an' is used with the Past Interrogative, as—Am bi mi? Shall I be? An archive is the Interrogative.

robh mi? Was I?

#### Position.

The position of Verbs in Gaelic is before their subjects, as—tha mi, I am; bhuail mi, I struck.

#### Aspiration.

Bu, was; a, to; and do (sign of Past Tense) Aspirate following Consonant, as—Bu mhor e, he was great; a bhi, to be; do bhuail, did strike,

#### VOCABULARY.

Ag ràdh, saying.
Aite-còmhnuidh m., a dwelling-place. Plural àitean-còmhnuidh.
Rìgh, e, rìghre and -ean m., a king.
Madainn f., a morning.
Uan, uain m., a lamb.
Iùdhach, aich m., a Jew.
Co—ri, as—as.

#### Fxercise 17.

Am bheil thu tinn? Tha mise, nach 'eil thu ſèin? Cha'n 'eil mi gle thinn ach tha an duine eile so. Am mise a tha tinn? An robh sibh ag ràdh nach 'eil ſeòil uain co milis ri ſeòil laoigh? Cha robh, ach bha mi ag radh nach 'eil i ni's milse. An tusa righ nan Iùdhach? Ann an taigh m' Athar-sa tha iomadh aite-còmhnuidh. Dèan am maith agus na dèan an t-olc. An robh thu aig taigh do bhràthar air an la sin? Co thusa a ta ag radh nan nithe sin? Nan robh mi an sin bhithinn ni's miosa na tha mi. Am bi thusa an sin? Am bheil ise gu bhi aig an taigh air an la sin? Mur 'eil t susa gu bhi an sin cha bhi mise.

#### Exercise 18.

Is she not more beautiful than her sister? It would be better. She was saying that there are not many things better than that. Let them be here at nine o'clock in the morning. He was doing greater things than these. Who are they? Is it she who is making yon noise? Be thou doing good. They were saying that he would not be better than many others. It is I who was at your house. Shall I not be there?

#### X.-REGULAR VERB.

#### FIRST CONJUGATION.

Gaelic Verbs are divided into two conjugations, and the first consists of those which begin with a Consonant.

Example—' Buail,' strike, smite, clap.

#### ACTIVE VOICE.

Past Tense. Future Tense. Affirm.—(Do) bhuail Buai idh Inter .- (An) do bhuail? (Am) buail? Sub. { 1st Per. Sing. Bhuailinn. Sub. { 1st Per. Plur. Bhuaileamaid. Bhuaileadh tu, &c. Ma bhuaileas.

Singular.

Plural. Buaileamaid. Buailibh.

 $Imper. \begin{cases} \text{I Buaileam.} \\ \text{2 Buail.} \\ \text{3 Bhuaileadh e } or \text{ i.} \end{cases}$ 

Buaileadh iad.

Infin. Bualadh, or A' bualadh, striking.
A bhualadh, to strike.
Gu bualadh, about to strike.
Air bualadh, after striking, having struck.

#### PASSIVE VOICE.

Past Tense. Future Tense. Affirm.—(Do) bhuaileadh. Buailear. (Am) buailear? Inter .- (An) do bhuaileadh? Subj. -- Bhuailteadh. Ma bhuailear.

Imp.—Buailtear.
Infin. { Buailte, struck. Bhi buailte, to be struck.

The conjugation of state or condition is formed by supplying the various parts of the Verb to be to the Present Infinitive or Participle, as—

Tha mi a' bualadh, I am striking, Bha mi buailte, I was struck.

The Perfect or Complete Tenses are formed with the Past Participle, as-

Tha mi air bualadh, *I have struck*. Bithidh mi air bualadh, *I will have struck*.

The Passive Voice of this last form requires the Possessive Pronoun of the subject, as—

Nam bithinn air mo bhualadh, if I should have been struck.

An robh iad air am bualadh? had they been struck?

When the subject of the sentence is spoken of as acting, the Active Voice of the Verb is used; where the subject is acted upon, the Passive Voice is employed, as—Bhuail mi, I struck; Bhuaileadh mi, I was stricken.

Verbs that begin with *l*, *n*, or *r* do not insert *h* for the Past Tense. Initial *l* and *n* followed by a small Vowel have in the Past Tense the sound of English *l* and *n*, as—Lean (pronounced lyen), *follow*; Past Tense, lean (pron, len), *did follow*; nigh (pron. nyee), *wash*; Past Tense, nigh (pron. nee), *did wash*, Initial *r*, with either broad or small Vowel, has in the Past Tense a weak sound, as in fiery, Example—ruith (rrui), *run*; Past Tense, ruith (rui), *did run*.

#### MOODS.

The Affirmative Mood is used in simple affirmation, as-

Bha mi a' bualadh, I was striking.

The Interrogative Mood expresses a question, as—An do bhuail thu? did you strike? or negation, as—Cha do bhuail thu, you did not strike. It is also used with the Adverbial Particles specified in Lesson IX.; with the Adverbs gu, that, ged, although; and Relative Pronouns governed by Prepositions, as—Gu 'n robh thu, that you were; anns am beil mi, in which I am; aig am bi e, at which he shall be.

The Subjunctive Mood is rendered in the Past Tense by the English *I would*, &c. The Future is used only after ma, if, o, o'n since, and the Relative Pronoun 'a,' as—An duine (a)

bhuaileas, the man who will strike.

The Imperative intimates a desire or command, as

Buaileam, let me strike.

The Active Infinitive or Participle is properly a Noun, and as such governs the Genitive Case of other Nouns, and is itself governed in the Genitive, as—A' bualadh na leapa (not, a' bualadh na leapaidh), striking the bed; urlai bualaidh (a floor of threshing), a threshing floor.

The Passive Infinitive is an Adjective.

### VOCABULARY.

Ainm, ean m., a name. Beartas, ais m., wealth. Buille, ean, m., a blew. Cathair, cathrach, f, a city. Cum (Verb), keep.
Dorus, uis, dorsan m., a door.
Tuit (Infin. tuiteam), fall.
Tuit.am, an, m., a fall.

### Exercise 19.

Cha 'n fhearr thusa na e fein. Bhuail an droch dhuine sin an laogh beag. Is fearr deagh ainm na móran beartais. Na biodh ole ann ad cridhe. Bhuaileadh sinn le iomadh buille. Có tha a' bualadh aig an dorus? Bhuail na tuiltean air an taigh, agus thuit e, agus bu mhór tuiteam an taigh sin. Bha e air a bhualadh airson dhaoine. Ma bhitheas mi air mo bhualadh, buailtear leis an duine mhaith mi. Tuitidh an droch dhuine ann an iomadh ole ach cumaidh Dia a shluagh féin. Ma bhitheas tu a' deanamh maith bithidh maitheas ann ad thaigh agus soillse ann ad aire còmhnuidh. An taigh anns an robh e. Am buille leis an do bhuaileadh sinn.

### Fxercise 20.

Was he not struck in the head by (leis) that man? These men were saying that they were not the better of you. There is no light in the dwelling-places of the workers of evil, but the light of God is on the head of the good man. Smite them, and let their city fall. If he were struck as I was, he would have fallen. What good is there in that? (What the good which is in that?) And there fell thirty thousand people in one day. The light of the sun shall not be there.

### XI.—REGULAR VERB.

### SECOND CONJUGATION.

The Second Conjugation consists of Verbs that begin with a Vowel, or f followed by a Vowel, and differs from the First only in some initial changes.

Example, "Fill," fold.

### ACTIVE VOICE.

Past Tense. Future Tense. Affirm.—Dh' thill. Fillidh. Inter .- D' fhill? Fill? Subj. Dh' fhillinn.
Dh' fhilleamid.
Dh' fhilleadh tu, &c. Dh' fhilleas.

Plural. Singular.  $Imper. \begin{cases} \text{I Filleam.} & \text{F} \\ 2 \text{ Fill.} & \text{F} \\ 3 \text{ Filleadh e } or \text{ i,} & \text{F} \\ \text{Infin.} & \text{A dh' fhilleadh, } \textit{to fold.} \\ \text{Gu filleadh, } \textit{about to fold,} & \text{\&c.} \end{cases}$ Filleamaid. Filleadh iad.

### PASSIVE MOOD.

Affirm--Dh' fhilleadh. Fillear. Inter. - D' fhilleadh? Fillear? Subj .- Dh' fhillteadh. Dh' fhilk ar.

Imper.—Filltear. Infin.—Fillte.

Note.—Verbs having their last Vowel broad, omit the e from the termination, and where the termination begins with i they insert an a before it, thus ol, drink, has Past Subjunctive dh' òlainn: Future Subj.-Dh' òlas. See Lesson I.-Euphony.

Before a Vowel a' becomes ag, as, ag ol, drinking.

In the Second Conjugation do, dh', or d' is always used in the Past Tense, except after ni, mur, nach, gu, an, am, na, The Verb is never aspirated after any of these Particles

### SPECIAL RULES.

- 1. Some Verbs are contracted in the Infinitive, Subjunctive, Imperative, and Future Affirmative Moods, as—Innis, tell, Infin. innse, or innseadh; seachain, avoid, Infin. seachnadh.
- 2. Some have the Infinitive like the Root, as—Ol, drink, Infin., dl. Such are—Fàs, grow, become; snàmh, swim; ruith, run.
- 3. Many Verbs in air add t for the Infinitive, as—Tabhair, give, tabhairt.
- 4. Some Monosyllables add sinn or tinn, as—Creid, believe, creidsinn; bean, touch, beantuinn.
  - 5. A few add ail, as-Fàg leave, tàgail.

### Auxiliaries.

Besides the Verb to be, dean, do, and rach, go. are used as Auxiliary Verbs, as—Nach dean thu bhualadh? will you not (do his striking) strike him? rach a dh' òl, go to drink.

# Impersonal Verbs.

Verbs which do not regularly admit of a Passive Voice are employed in the 3rd Pers. Sing Passive, with an active signification, and without an expressed Nominative, as—Cha n' fnasar ole gu h-obainn, (one) does not become wicked all of a sudden; thair ag innse dhomh, they tell me.

The Passive Voice is sometimes used in poetry, or for the sake of effect, as an Active Verb of the Present Tense without a Nominative, as—Tuitear sios chum an làr, down (he) fell to the ground.

### Question and Answer.

Questions must be answered with the same Tense and Mood of the Verb. The Noun or Pronoun is never used in replying except for emphasis, as—Am beil thu an so? Tha, Are you here? (1) am.

### Vocabulary.

Ait, glad. Domh, to me.

Air falbh, away. Lamh, imh, an f., a hand.

An aghaidh, against. Mar, as.
Bas, an, f., palm [of hand]. Mol, praise.
Beathach, aich, aichean m. Snàmh, swim.

a beast. Taobh, ibh, an m., a side.

### Exercise 21.

Nach bòidheach a chraobh sin? Tha an duine maith mar chraoibh a ta a' fas aig taobh aimhne. Olaidh na craobhan de uisge an t-sruith agus bithidh iad ait; buailidh iad am basan agus molaidh iad Dia. Is usadh snàmh an aghaidh an uisge na leis an t-sruth. Tabhair dhomh uisge gu òl. Dh' innseadh dhomh gu 'm bu tusa Righ Israel. Is toigh leam Dia airson gu 'n tabhair e dhomh an ni a bhitheas maith dhomh. Shnàmh am beathach air falbh. Tha Dia ag ràdh, A mhic, tabhair dhòmhsa do chridhe.

### Exercise 22.

Let the calves drink the water. Is water not good for calves? It was told to me that many beasts drink (are drinking) the water of this river, and that they are not the better of it. Yon old man was saying that his own three lambs became ill with the water. Let us fold our coats, and let us leave them here. Avoid (the) evil, and (the) evil will avoid you. Will you not believe what (the thing which) I tell you? It would be better to fall in the battle than to run away. That man avoids me much. Who is God that I should believe him God is (is e Dia) the father of all (nan uile.)

### XII IRREGULAR VERBS

1. "Rach," go.

Past. Affirm, - Chaidh, went.

Future. Théid, will go.

Inter. - Deachaidh ? did do?

Téid ? will go.

Subj. { Rachainn, I would go. Rachamaid, we would go. Rachadh tu, &c., thou wouldst, &c.

Théid, will go.

Imper.—Racham, let me go. Infin.—Dol.

2. "Abair," say.

## ACTIVE VOICE.

Affirm .- Thubhairt, dubhairt, said. Inter .- Dubhairt ? said ?

Their, will say. Abair ? will say ?

Subj.  $\left\{ egin{array}{ll} \mbox{Theirinn, abairinn, } I\mbox{ would say.} & \mbox{Their say.} \\ \mbox{Theireadh, abaireadh tu, &c., would say.} \end{array} \right.$ 

Imper. - Abaiream, &c., let me say, &c. Infin. - Radh, saying.

# PASSIVE VOICE.

Affirm. - Dubraidh, was said. Inter.—Dubhradh? was said? Imper.—Abairtear, let be said.

Theirear, will be said. Abairear? will be said?

Theirear, will be said.

Subj .- Theirteadh, abairteadh, would be said.

3. "Tabhair, thoir," give, take.

### ACTIVE VOICE.

Affirm .- Thug. gave.

Bheir, will give.

Inter .- D' thug ? Did give ?

Toir ? tabhair ? will give ?

Subj. Bheirinn, I would give, &c. Toirinn or tabhairinn, &c.

Bheir, will give.

Imper. - Thoiream or tabhaiream, &c., let me give, &c. Infin .- Toirt, tabhairt, giving.

### PASSIVE VOICE.

Affirm.—Thugadh, was given. Inter .- D' thugadh ? was given ? Subj. { Bheirteadh, would be given. Tugteadh.

Imper .- Thugar, let be given.

Bheirear, will be given. Toirear? tabhairear? will be given? Bheirear, will be given.

4. "Thig," come.

Affirm .- Thàinig, came. Inter .- D' thàinig ? did come ? Subj .- Thiginn, I would come.

Imper.—Thigeam, &c., let me come.

Thig, will come. Tig ? will come ? Thig, will come.

Infin. Tighinn, coming. Teachd.

# 5. "Faic," see. ACTIVE VOICE.

Affirm. - Chunnaic, saze. Inter.—Faca ? did see ?

Subj. {Chithinn, I would see. Facinn. Imper.-Faiceam, &c., let me see. Chi. revill see. Faic ? revill see ?

Chi, will see. Infin .- Faicsinn, seeing.

#### PASSIVE VOIGE.

Affirm .- Chunncadh, was seen. Inter .- Facadh ? was seen ? Subj. Chiteadh, would be seen. Faicteadh.

Imper.-Faicear, let be seen.

Chithear, will be seen. Faicear ? revill be seen ?

Chithear, will be seen.

# 6. "Faigh," get.

# ACTIVE VOICE.

Affirm .- Fhuair, got. Inter.—D'fhuair ? did get?
Subj. Gheibhinn, I would get.
Faighinn.

Imper. - Faigheam, Let me get.

Gheibh, will get. Faigh ? will get?

Gheibh, will get.

Infin Faghail. getting.

### PASSIVE VOICE.

Affirm.—Fhuaradh, was got.
Inter.—D'fhuaradh? was got?
Subi. (Gheibhteadh, would be got.
Faighteadh.

Gheibhear, will be got? Faighear? will be got? Gheibhear, will be got.

Imper.-Faightear, let be got.

7. "Dean," make, do, has Infin. deanamh; Future Affirm. and Subj. ni; the Past Affirm. rinn, and the past Inter. d' rinn? The Future Affirm. and Subj. Passive is nithear. The other parts regular.

8. "Beir," bear, has Infin. beirsinn or breith, the Past Affirm. rug, and Inter. d' rug?

9. "Cluinn," hear, has the Infin. cluinntinn, the Past Affirm. chuala, and Inter. cuala?

10. "Ruig," reach, has Infin. ruigsinn or ruigheachd, the Past Affirm. rainig, and Inter. d' rainig. It has no Passive Voice.

Some of the Verbs have two forms of the Subjunctive Past. \*The first corresponds to I would—and the second is used after the Particles mur, cha, an, &c. Example:—Chithinn, I would see; nam faicinn, if I should see.

# Defective Verbs.

"Arsa," or "Orsa," said, quoth; "Tiugainn" (Singular) "tiugainnibh" (Plural), come along, and "theab," had almost, are wanting in all the other parts.

### Vocabulary.

Da, dha, to him. De, of, off. Glòir, e, ean f., glory. Glòir-mhor, glorious. Gu, to.

Neach (indecl.) m., a person.

Sam bith, any.

Urram, im m., honour,

# Exercise 23.

Rachainn gu àite sam bith a chluinntinn an duine sin Bhualadh mise airson an ni a rinn neach eile. Am faca tu am beathach mór reamhar ud a tha aig an taigh so? Na abair ni sam bith an aghaidh an righ. Thoir domh do lamh. Thainig e gu a dhuthaich fein ach cha d'thug a shluagh fein urram dha, Fhuaradh moran de na beathaichean aig taobh eile na h-aimhne.

### Exercise 24.

Let him give (to) me the thing which I gave him. If I should say anything I would say as you said. I am going away, and you will not see me until I come in the glory of my Father. A glorious thing shall be told of (mu) the city of our God. And he said, let me fall into the (ann an) hands of God, and let me not fall into the hands of men. He was seen going away and leaving the place.

# XIII.—PREPOSITION.

#### SIMPLE PREPOSITIONS

Are single words placed before Nouns and clauses of a sentence to express relation. The following require the Dative Case of Nouns:—

Le, leis, with, by. A, to, into. Mu, about, concerning. Aig, at, with, Air, on, upon. O, bho, from. Ann, ann an, in, into. Ri, ris, at, to. A, as, out of, from. Roimh, before. De, of, off. Thar, over. Do, to, for. Troimh, through. Seach, compared with. Fo, fuidh, below.

The following require the Nominative:-

Eadar, between. Gu, gus, to.

Gun, without, Mar, like to, as.

Gu, gun, and mar govern the Nom. Case with the Article, but the Dative when the Article is not employed.

Before the Article or the Relative Pronouns a, am, an, the Propositions ann, a, gu, le, and ri take the addition of s. In any other position "ann" is followed by "an."

Ann, without a following Noun, is taken to mean in existence, as—Am beil thu ann? are you here? are you alive?

Motion is expressed by a or do before the proper name of a place. If the Noun begins with a Consonant it is aspirated; if a Vowel dh is prefixed, a:—Dol a Bhreatainn, going to Britain; t ghinn a dh' Alba, coming to Scotland; dol do'n Fhràing, going to France. "Ann a" is contracted 'na, into the, as—Dol 'na bhaile, going into the town.

Aig is used to express possession, as - Tha taigh aig mo mhac, my son has a house,

Air is represented in English by various Prepositions, as—Air ainm, by name; air eigin, with difficulty; air sgath, for the sake; cha'n eil air, there is nothing for. With Verbs of giving and getting it is Englished for, as—Thug mi air, I gave for. Gabh air, beat; gabh ort, pretend, feign, assume; Beir air, setze; tilg air, accuse of.

#### Compound Prepositions

Are usually made up of two or more words, and govern the Genitive Case. Such are:—

Am measg, among, in the An aghaidh, against, in the face midst (of). (of).

An lathair, in presence (of), Re, during, in the time (of). Air son, for the sake (of); because (of).

When used with Pronouns these equire Possessive Pronouns, as--air mo shon, for my sake.

# Aspiration.

De, fo, mu, o *or* bho, roimh and troimh, aspirate the first Consonant of following Noun.

Gun aspirates consonants, except d, t and s. Gun chrioch, without end; gun toiseach, without beginning.

### Exercise 25.

Air sgath na duthcha. Is math an duine e seach mise' Dh'fhalbh iad leis an laogh. Tha thu a dol an aghaidh d. athar. Am bheil iad ann ar measg? Tha bòrd agad an sin. Cha'n eil air na nithe sin ach an deanamh.

### Exercise 26.

He came during the day. He went for the sake of honour. Did you hear yon noise over the river? Did you give much for that dog? The town is between the rivers. He was got with difficulty.

### XIV.—PREPOSITIONAL PRONOUNS.

These are formed by combining the Simple Prepositions with the Personal Pronouns, as—Agam, for "aig-mi," with me; agad, for "aig-tu," with thee; aige, with him; aice, with her, &c.

gad, for "aig-tu, with thee; aige, with him; aice, with her, &c.			
Aig.	Sing.—Agam.   Plur.—Againn.	Agad Agaibh.	Aige (m.), aice (f.)
Δir	S.—Orm.  P.—Oirnn.	Ort.	Air, oirre.
ZIII.	(P.—Oirnn.	Oirbin.	Orra.
Ann.	J.S.—Annam.	Annad.	Ann, innte.
	(P.—Annainn.	Annaibh.	Annta.
As.		Asad.	As, aisde.
	(P.—Asainn.	Asaibh.	Asda.
De.	$\int S$ .—Diom.	Diot.	Deth, dith,
	(PDinn.	Dibh.	Diubh.
Do.	\{ S.—Diom. \ \( P.—Dinn. \ \ S.—Domh. \ \{ P.—Dunn. \ \ P.—Dunn. \ \}	Duit.	Da, di.
	P.—Duinn.	Duibh.	Daibh <i>or</i> doibh.
Eadar.	P.—Eadaruinn	Eadaraibh.	Eatorra.
Fo.	{S.—Fodham. {P.—Fodhainn.	Fodhad.	Fodha, fuidhpe.
	(P.—Fodhainn.	Fodhaibh.	Fodhpa.
Gu.	S.—H-ugam.	H-ugad.	H-uige, h uice.
	S.—H-ugam. P.—H-ugainn S.—Leam. P.—Leinn.	H-ugaibh.	H-uca.
Le.	S.—Leam.	Leat.	Leis, leatha.
	P.—Leinn.	Leibh.	Leo.
Mu.	(S.—Umam.	Umad.	Uime, uimpe.
		Umaibh.	Umpa.
Ο.	(S.—Uam.	Uat.	Uaith, uaipe.
	S.—Uam. P.—Uainn.	Uaibh.	Uapa.
R.	(S-Rium	Riut.	Ris, rithe.
	S.—Rium. P.—Ruinn.	Ribh.	Riu.
Roimh.	(S-Romham	Romhad.	
	S.—Romham. P.—Romhainn.	Romhaibh.	Roimhe, roimpe.
	(Thoram	Tharad.	Rompa.
Thar	Tharam. Tharuinn.	Tharaibh	Thairte (f.)
	Traimh lileanaimh		Tharta.
Troimh like roimh.			

### Vocabulary.

Aran, in m., bread, Beo, alive. Céin distant. Cli, wrong, left.

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Cliu m., fame, praise. Gaolach, lovely, dear. Lathail, daily. Leannan m. & f., a sweetheart.

An diugh, to day.

### Exercise 27.

Co dh' innseas do d' athair nach beo thu? Cha do thuit e gun chliu anns a chath. Na abairear ni sam bith an aghaidh na ban righ. Nach b' fhearr duit so a bhi agad? Ciod, arsa Ronan, a chi thu mu Chulmina, mo leannan gaolach? Tabhair dhuinn an diugh ar n-aran lathail. Biodh a lamh chli fo m' cheann. Agus chunnaic Dia an solus, gu'n robh e maith. Cum dorus do bheoil ann an tigh Dhé. Tha thu ann an làthair Rìgh nan righ. Chuala mi uaith-san gu'm beil mac na ban-righ ann an tìr chéin.

### Exercise 28.

Let her give (to) him everything she has. Any person may (will) see the good he did to the people of the place. All these things have I given you, but what have you done for my sake? I saw him going to the town at five o'clock. I told you, but you would not believe me. Among all this people is there not one who will tell me this? We have the light of the sun during the day. Shall not his praise be heard for this? He would say no evil thing.

### XV.—PREPOSITIONAL VERBS.

Many Gaelic Verbs are made up of Prepositions, with the Auxiliary Verb to bε, combined with adjectives and nouns, as—

Is fhearr leam (it is better with me), I prefer.

Tha agam (there is with me), I have.

Tha duil againn (expectation is with us), we suppose.

Tha suil agam (an eye is with me), I expect.

Tha agam air (I have on him), he owes me.

Is beag orm (little on [with] me is), I don't care for.

Cha 'n eil agam air (I have not on), I don't care for.

Is toigh leam (dear with me is), I like or love, &c.

Is aithne dhomh (known to me is) dhomh, I know.

Is annsa leam (dearer with me is), I prefer.

Is coma leam (indifferent with me is), I care not.

Is coir dhomh (right is for me), I ought.

Is cruaidh dhomh, it is hard for me.

Is cuimhne leam (remembrance is with me), I remember.

Is dual domh, it is natural to me.

Is duilich leam (sad with me is), I regret.

Is fhèarr dhomh, it is better for me.

Is léir dhomh (visible to me is), I see.

Is math leam [gu'n] (good with me is), I am glad (that).

Is math dhomh, it is good for me.

Is miann leam (it is a desire with me), I wish, desire.

Is mithich dhomh, it is time for me.

Is truagh leam, I pity.

Is urrainn domh, I can.

Is ceannach air (it is buying it), it's dearly bought.

These may be conjugated with the Parts of the Verbs to be and the several Prepositional Pronouns,

The same idioms can be used with nouns in place of pronouns, as—Is aithne do na daoine, The men know,

Sometimes other simple verbs are used as-

Cicd a dh' eirich duit? What has befallen you? Thig e dhomh, it will become me.

# See also top of page 36.

Ann (contracted 'n), with a Possessive Pronoun, is used with Neuter Verbs to give the idea of state or continuance, as—Tha mi 'n am shuidhe, I am [in my] sitting; tha thu 'n ad bhoile, you are [in your] mad [ness]; tha e' na righ, he is [in his, i.e., is a] King.

# Exercise 29.

An leir duit? Cha toigh leis idir e. Cha bu dual do'n bheathach sin a bhi boidheach. Ma's miann leat rach air falbh. Cha b' urrainn di ni sam bith fhaicinn. Tha moran beartais aig na fir sin. Is coma leinn ciod a bhitheas ann. Tha moran aig an fhear sin orm.

# Exercise 30.

I love that. We expect to come. I have many books. It is hard for me to believe that. He had a dog. I told you that I did not care for it. He knows what he is saying. Is it not time for us to go away? The people cannot see the place. I don't care for that man.

### XVI.-ADVERB.

The following are some of the Adverbs most in use :-

An diugh, to-day.
An dé, yesterday.
Am màireach, to-morrow.
An so, here.
An sin there.

Gu léir. altogether.
Idir, at all.
Ma, if.
Mar, as.
Mar sin. so, in that

An sin, there.

An feasd Gu bràth \( \) \(

Adjectives may be converted into Adverbs by prefixing gu, as—Gu maith, well, gu mór, greatly.

# Aspiration.

Gle, ro, mar, and ma aspirate first consonant of following word. Cha aspirates all aspirable consonants except d, t, and s.

For the sake of euphony an n is placed between cha and a verb beginning with a vowel or f, as cha'n eil, cha'n fhaigh.

# CONJUNCTION.

Conjunctions are words used to connect words or clauses. The most common are—

Ach, but.
Agus, is, 's, and.
Co—ri, as—as.
Ged, although.
Gu, gu'r, that.
Ma ta, if so, then.
Mar, as.
Mu, before.
Mur, if not.
No, or.
Oir, for, &c.

Co and ri are used for comparison, as—Tha aon cho maith ri aon eile, one is as good as another. In other cases co takes as a co-relative agus, as—Bi cho maith agus so a dheanamh, be as good as do this.

# INTERJECTION.

Among the more common Interjections are :-

Feuch! behold! Och! och! alas!
H-ugad! take care! Slân leat (Sing.)
Mo nàire! fie for shame! Siân leibh (Pl.)

Mo thruaighe! woe is me! Ubh! ubh! dear me!

### VOCABULARY.

Amhaire (Infin. Amhare), look, gaze. As eugmhais (Comp. Prep.) without. Beath, a, an f, life. Eòin, John. Eirich, eiridh, v. rise. Focal, il, foclan m., a word. Gairdeachas, is, m., rejoicing, joy. Maille ri (Prep.), with, along with. Oidhche, ean and eachan, f., a night. Tighearna m., a lord.
Tùs, toiseach, ich f., a beginning.

# Exercise 31.

Anns an toiseach bha am Focal, agus bha am Focal maille ri Dia, agus b' e am Focal Dia. Bha e so air tùs maille ri Dia. Rinneadh na h-uile nithe leis; agus as 'eugmhais cha d' rinneadh aon ni a rinneadh. Ann-san bha beatha agus b' i a bheatha solus dhaoine. Uime-san thubhairt Eòin, Feuch Uan Dé! Tha sùilean an Tighearna anns gach àite ag amharc air na droch dhaoine agus air na deadh dhaoine. Mar so their thu ris, Na dean gàirdeachas an aghaidh an duine mhaith; ged thuiteadh e éiridh e a rithis. Chunnaic mi ni an dé nach fhaca mi riamh roimh, agus nach fhaic mi rithis am feasd.

# Exercise 32.

The lord of the country saw our brother, and praised him greatly. The word of God is good, giving joy to His people, and making their hearts glad; He will not keep any good thing from them who believe on His name. Alas! that I should see the day. On this side and on that side of (de) the river was growing the tree of life. Rise and come away for the day is short. Let us do our work now, during the day, for the night will come before our work is done.

### XVII.—CONSTRUCTION OF SENTENCES.

The following passage from the Ossianic poem of "Gaol nandaoine" illustrates the order of words in Gaelic sentences—

O chladach Chròna thagh mi clach. From the peebly beach of Chrona chose I a stone.

Measg fonna le neart nam bard; Amid the tunes with strength of the bards;

Fuil naimhde Fhionnaghail fo smachd. The blood of the foes of Fingal under subjection.

An cóineach dubh-ghlas nan àld. (In) the moss dark green of the streams

Fo sud shuidhich mi o chéile, Beneath yon set I from each other

Tri copana o sgéith nan dàimh Three bosses from the shields of the strangers

Nuair luidheadh mu seach is dh'éireadh, While would subside alternately and would rise

Fonn oidhche o Ulainn an àigh. A strain of night from Ullin of good fortune.

Chuir Toscar a sgian fo 'n ùir, Put Toscar his knife under the ground.

Is murla dubh ghorm stailinn chruaidh, And a mail dark blue steel hard.

Thogadh inu 'n chloich àird an smùr Was raised about the stone high the earth

A ghairm gu cliù bliadhna nan luadh, To call to fame the year of the praises

"A nighean chóinich sruth nan cárn, O daughter of the moss of the stream of the hills

Thu 'g éiridh an àird ann am chòir; Thou rising up in my presence

A chlach o chladach a tha thall O stone from stony beach which is over (youder)

Nuair chaillear siol Shealma nan torr; When is lost the seed of Selma of the hills Labhair-sa ri laigse nan daoine. Speak thou to the weakness of (the) men

Air 'aghaidh, 's an oidhche, fo sprochd. On (his) face in the night under gloom

Luidhidh dubhailteadh bochd tha triall; Shall lie a benighted one poor (who) is journeying

Do chóineach a caoineadh gun lochd, Thy moss moaning without sleep

A tilleadh mu 'rosg nam bliadhna. Bringing back about his eyelids the years

Eiridh comhraig threun fa choir— There shall arise a strife mighty before him

Righrean gorm-sgiathach a tearnadh gu cath, Kings blue shielded descending to battle

Lan ghealach a dubhadh fo 'n scorr. Full moon darkening under the peak

Air raona nan seòd 's nam flath On the field of the brave and of the nobles

Brisidh e o 'aisling chiar; Will break he from (his) vision dreary

Druididh madainn air triall na h-oidhche, Will advance morning on the path of the night

Chithear uaighe nan triath air sliabh, Will be seen the tombs of the chiefs on the mountain.

Treuna gasda nan gniomh 'an soillse. Brave (men) heroic of the deeds in light

Labhraidh e mu chloich an raon, Will speak he about the stone of the field

Agus freagraidh an aois r' a iarraidh; And will reply the age(d man) to his demands

"So an liath-chlach thog Oisean nach faoin This (is) the grey stone (which) raised Ossian who (was) not weak Sàr cheannard mu 'n d'aom na bliadhna."

A true chief about whom have descended the years.

### XVIII.—PROSE READING.

#### SEAN-FHOCAIL.

An ni nach cluinn thu 'n diugh cha'n innis thu am màireach. Cha 'n eil air (Lesson XIII.—Air) a bhiadh mhaith ach fheuchainn.

Is fada bu choir dol a dh' amharc fear nach fhaigheadh

bean.

'S dàna cu air òtrach fein.

Cha tig ubh mór a nead an dreathain-duinn.

Biodh iadsan a bruidhinn, 's bithidh na h-uibhean againne.

Cuid an amadain am beul a phòca.

Na h-aimhnichean a traoghadh 's na caochanan ag at.

Cha tig an cota glas cho maith do na h-uile fear.

Is uaisle toll na tuthag ach 's fhearr tuthag na toll.

Suidhe ìosal a ni garadh uasal.

Is fearr an teine beag a gharas na an teine mòr a loisgeas tu.

Dean do gharadh far an d' rinn thu d' fhuarachadh. A chlach nach tig ad rathad cha chuir i ceann a mheòir diot.

'S fearr a bhi cinnteach na bhi caillteach.

Feumaidh burn a bhi far am bathar an gamhuinn.

Mar thubhairt Uilleam Seadhaire, ge b'e àird as an tig a ghaoth tuath, bithidh i tuar daonnan.

Cha 'n eil tuil air nach tig traoghadh.

Am fear nach cuir ri fuachd cha bhuain ri teas.

'S treise tuath na tighearn.

'S e deireadh gach coinnimh sgaoileadh.

Cha tig as a phoit ach an toit a chaidh innte.

Ceann mór air duine glic 's ceann circ air amadan.

Is miosa an t-eagal na 'n cogadh.

Bhi fadadh teine fo loch, Bhi tiormachadh cloich an cuan, Comhairle thoirt air mnaoi bhuirb, Mar bhuille ùird air iarunn fuar.

Is sleamhainn stairsneach an taigh mhòir.

'S ceannach air an ubh an gloc.

La air mhisge 's la air uisge.

Am fear a gheibh ainm na moch-eiridh faodaidh e cadal gu meadhon latha.

### XIX.—PROSE READING.

#### A GHRIAN.

Tha a ghrìan do'n t-saoghal nadurrach, mar a ta spìorad na beatha do mhac an duine. Is e a teas a tha toirt fàs do luighibh na macharach; agus nuair a sgaoileas i caoimhneileachd na maidne mu'n cuairt di, bithidh gach creutair beathail le a làthaireachd-suilbhir agus aighearach le a tiodhlacaibh. Le a teas èiridh miltean de chuileagaibh sgiathach gu beatha. Clisgidh na h-eóin as an codal, agus dòirtidh iad a mach an ceileirean sunndadh ann an co-sheirm chiùil nuair a mhothaicheas iad a blàths. Le mèilich bheir na treudan buidheachas airson teachd na maidne ciùine, agus innsidh am buar le'n àrd-gheumnaich an taingeileachd. Aithrisidh na gleanntan an ceòl ceudna, agus freagraidh na cnuic do'n fhonn. Bheir teas na gréine air gach luigh tha air aghaidh na talmhainn fàs gu h-ùrar agus gorm, còmhdaichidh e na craobhan le duilleach, a mhachair le arbhar agus meas, na sléibhtean le buar agus treudaibh, agus cridhe an duine le gairdeachas agus taingeileachd. A réir cunntais nam feallasanach agus daoine foghluimte tha a ghrian deich ceud mìle uair ni's mò na an talamh, agus ceithir fichead 's a deich muilliona de mhìltibh air astar uaith. Nuair tha i fada gu deas tha an là goirid, agus an aimsir fuar againn 's an eilean so; ach an uair tha i pilltinn gu tuath tha ar là a fàs fada, agus tha blàths an t-samhraidh ag ath-ùrachadh gach luigh mhaoth a shearg, agus gach craobh a lòm, gaoth reotaidh a gheamhraidh. Smuainichidh sluagh neo-thoghluimte gu bheil a ghrian ag éiridh 's an aird an ear agus a dol fodha 's an aird an iar, do bhrigh nach eil iad a tuigsinn gu bheil an talamh a tionndadh mu'n cuairt, no a cur car dheth air a roth aon uair 's na ceithir uairibh fichead, agus le so a nochdadh na grèine do shùilean an duine mar gu'm biodh i ag éiridh 's an aird an ear agus a luidhe 's an àird an iar gach uair a ta an talamh a cur car dheth air an dòigh so.

## XX.—PHRASES—Colloquial and Idiomatic.

Co tha 'n so?
Tha mise, do charaid.
O! an tusa th' ann?
'S mi. Co a shaoil leat a bh' ann?

Cha robh fios agam. Cia mar tha thu, mata? Tha mise gu gasda, gu'n robh math agad. Cia mar tha thu cumail ? Bheil an t-slaint' ac' aig an taigh? Cha'n eil dad a cur orra. Bheil thu falbh, mar tha? Bithidh e cho math. C-arson nach fhuirich thu? Tha cabhag orm. Greas ort air t-ais, mata. Beannachd leat. Slan leat. Bheil fios agad cia meud uair Tha e leth uair an deigh da uair. An e so an rathad? Cha 'n e, 's e so e. Trothad a nall an so. Coma leam. Leigibh le mo chu. Tarr air bhi samhach. Leigibh as e. Falbh a luidhe. Bi sgiobalt– clis. Cuir dhiot—umad. Tha e cuir an t-sneachda. Nach 'éil thu tighinn a staigh ? Ma 's e do thoil e. Bheil a bhean aig an taigh. Tha mi 'n duil gu bheil. Failt oirbh, a Dhonnchaidh. Failt oirbhse! bheil sibh beo fhathast? Tha, fhathast.

Am faigh mi deoch uat?

Who is here?
I am, your friend.
O, is it you?
It is. Who did you think it was?
I did not know.
How are you, then?
I am nicely, thank you.

How are you keeping? Are they in health at home?

Nothing ails them.
Are you going away already?
It will be as well.
Why won't you stay?
I am in a hurry.
Haste you back, then.

Good bye.

Do you know what o'clock is it?

It is half-past two o'clock. Is this the way? No; this is it. Come over here. I don't want to. Let my dog alone. Bid him be quiet. Let him go. Go to bed. Be quick—smart Undress-dress. It is snowing. Are you not coming in ? If you please. Is the lady (wife) at home? I think she is. Hail to thee, Duncan.

Hail to you, are you alive yet? Yes, yet. Can I get a drink from you? Gheibh, gu toilichte.
Gu'n robh math agad.
'S e do bheatha.
Tha la briagh ann.
Tha sin ann.
Tha e car fuar.
Tha beagan reothaidh ann
Cha mhisd' e.
Tha e coltach ris an uisge.
Cha chreid mi gu'n dean e moran
an diugh.
An aithne dhuit am baile so?
Cha'n eil mi eolach san aite so.

Bi falbh Ciod a tha tigh'nn riut. Cha bhuin sin duitsa.

An cum thu cuideachd rium?
Is gle thoigh leam an duthaich
so.
A reir mo bharail sa.
Tha mi duilich airson sin.
Cha'n urrainn domh a leasachadh
Am bneil Gaidhlig agad?

Bheil thu g'am thuigsinn? Ciod is ciall do'n fhocal so!

Chuireadh tu comain orm. Tha mi ad chomain. La math dhuit. Oidhche mhath leat. Mar sin duibh. Yes, with pleasure.
Thank you.
You are welcome.
It is a fine day.
It is.
It is: a little frosty.
It will be none the worse.
It threatens to (is like) rain.
I don't believe it will rain much much to-day.
Do you know this town?
I am not acquainted in this place.
Go away.
What ails you.

That doesn't concern you, that is not yours.
Will you bear me company?
I like this country very much.

In my opinion.

I am sorry for that.
I can't help it.
Do you know (have you got)
Gaelic?
Do you understand me?
What is the meaning of this
word?
You would oblige me.
I am obliged to you.
Good day
Good-night.
I wish you the same.

### POETRY.

#### CEAD DEIREANNACH NAM BEANN.

Bha mi'n dé 'm Beinn dorain,
'S na còir cha robh mi aineolach,
Chunna' mi na gleanntan
'S na beanntaichean a b'aithne dhomh;
B'e sin an sealladh éibhinn
Bhi 'g imeachd air na sléibhtibh,
'Nuair bhiodh a' ghrian ag éiridh,
'S a bhiodh na féidh a langanaich.

'S aobhach a ghreidh uallach,
Nuair ghluaiseadh iad gu farumach,
'S na h-eildean air an fhuaran,
Bu chuannar na laoigh bhallach ann;
Na maoislichean 's na ruadh-bhuic,
Na coilich dhubha 's ruadha
'S e 'n ceol bu bhinne chualas
'Nuair chluinnt' am fuaim 's a chamhanaich.

Ged tha mo cheann air liathadh,
'S mo chiabhagan air tanachadh,
'S tric a leig mi mial-chu
Ri fear fiadhaich, ceann-ardach,
Ged bu toigh leam riamh iad,
'S ged fhaicinn air an t-sliabh iad,
Cha teid mi nis g'an iarraidh
O'n chaill mi trian na h-analach.

Mo shoraidh leis na frithean,
O's mìorbhailteach na beannaibh iad,
Le biolair uaine 's fior-uisg,
Deoch uasal, rìomhach, cheanalta;
Na blàran a tha prìseil,
'S na fàsaichean tha liommhor,
O's àit' a leig mi dhìom iad,
Gu bràht mo mhìle beannachd leo!

#### VOCABULARY.

The changes in the termination for the Gen. Singular and Nominative Plural of Nouns; for the Comp. Degree of Adjectives and for the Indicative Future and Infinitive of Verbs are indicated. Words already given are not repeated here.

Ach, conj., but; int., tuts! alas! Ag, sign of verbal participle. Aghaidh, plural—ean, f., a face. Aicheadh, future - idh, infin. aicheadh, v., deny. Aidhireach, adj., mirthful. Aid-ich,— ichidh,— eachadh, v., confess. Aillidh, adj., beauteous. Aimsir, gen. aimsire, plur,—ean, f., time season. Aineol-ach, aich, adj., ignorant. Aineol-as, ais, m., ignorance. Ainm-ich,—ichidh,—eachadh,v., Ainmig, adv., seldom; adj., rare. Air, prep., on ; thig air, v, befall. Air ais, adv., backwards. Air feadb, comp. prep., among, through. Air tùs, adv., at first. A'ird, m., a point of the compass. A'irde, ean, f., height; an aird, adv. (with motion), up. A'ireamh, an, f., number. A'ireamh, idh, v., number. Amhuil, adv., as. A mach, adv., out; a mach as, prep, out of.

inhabit. A'l', uild m, a stream, a burn. Amad-an, ain, aran, m., a fool. Amh-airc, aircidh, arc, v., look. Aois, ean, f, age. Aon-ach, aich, aichean, f., a moor, Anail, analach, ean, f., breath, a plain. Ar-an, ain, m., bread. Anam, an, m., a soul, spirit. Arbh-ar, air, m., corn. Anam-och, uich, adj., late. Ard, airde, adj, high. An, as a prefix, means not. At, aidh, v., swell, An deigh, prep., after.

An traths' adv., now. Ann-as, ais, asan, m, novelty. A nall, adv., across (to this side). A null \ adi., over (to the other A nùnn J side). An nochd, adv, to-night. A nuas,  $\epsilon dv$ , down (towards the speaker). An raoir, adv., last night. An uiridh, adv., last year. Aobhach, adj., pleasant. Aobhar, an, m., cause, reason. Aoda-ch, ich, ichean, m., clothes. Aod-ann, ainn, annan, f., a face. Aoibhne-as, is, m., delight. Aighearach, adj., merry. Airg iod, id, m., money. Ait-ich, ichidh, eachadh, Aithne, adi., known; n. f., know-Aithris, idh, v., rehearse, repeat.

Ath-ùr-aich, aichidh, achadh, v., refresh.
Ast-ar, air, astraichean, f., a way; air astair, away.
Bail-e, tean, m., a town.
Bainne, m., milk.
Ban, baine, adj., fair, pale.
Ball-ach, aiche, adj., speckled.

Bàrd, bàird, m., a bard, a poet.

Pa, bais, an, m., death. Bàta, ichean, m., a boat. Bata, ichean, m., a staff. Bàth, aidh, adh, v., drown Bean, mna, mnathan, f., a wife. Bean, aidh, tuinn, v., touch. Beann, gen. plur. of beinn. Beannachd, an m., blessing. Beart-as, ais, m., wealth. Beathail, e, adj., active, vital. Beinn, e, gen. pl. beann, nom. pl beanntan or -taichean,  $f_{\cdot,\cdot}$  a mountain, Beir, irreg. v., lay hold, bear, overtake. Beud, an, m., blemish. Bha, was, were. Bheir — air, will cause. Biolair, e, ean, f., water-cress. Biadh, beidh, an, m, food. Binn, e, adj., sweet, melodious. Blar, an, m, a moor. Blath, blaith, adj., warm. B aths, m, warmth. Blath-as, ais, Bleideil, e, adj., importunate. Bliadhna, ichean, f., a year. Bõ, boine, f., a cow. Bochd, adj, poor. Bog, aidh, adh., v., dip, saturate. Boirionn-ach, aich, m., female. Borb, buirbe, adj, fierce. Bréat-ann, ainn, Britain. Briath-ar, air, ran, m, a word. Bris, idh, eadh, v., break.

Briste, adj., broken. Brò-n, in, m., sorrow. Bron-ach, aiche, adi., mournful. Bruidh-inn, nidh, v., speak. Buin-idh, v., touch, meddle with, belong. Bùrn, buirn, m., water. Bua-in, inidh, n, v., reap, cut, cull. Buar, m., cattle. Buidheach-as, ais, m., thanksgiving. Buntata, m., a potato. Ca-ch, ich, pron., the rest, the others. Caid-il, lidb, cadal, v , sleep. Caill, idh, call, v, lose. Caillt-each, iche, adj, disastrous, losing. Cainnt, ean, f., language, speech. Cairdeil, e, adj., friendly. Caise, an, m, cheese. Caite? adv., where? Camhan-ach, aich, f., dawning. Caoch-an, ain, anan, m, a rivulet. Caoimhneileachd, an, f., kindness. Cao-I, ile, adj., thin, slender. Car, cuir., m., a twist, a turn ; cur car de, v., turn, revolve. Caraid, cairdean, m., a friend. Cas. coise, an, f., a foot. Ce? pro., which? what? Ceann-ard-ach, aich, adj., highheaded. Ceanalta, adj, good. Ceannach air, dearly bought. Ceart, adj., right, just. Ceartas, ais, m., justice. Ceileir, e, ean, m, music, warbling. Cèin, adj., distant. Ceò, than, m., mist. Ceòl, ciuil, an, m., music. Ceudna, adj., same. Ceum, an, m,  $\alpha$  step. Chaoidb, adv., ever (future.) Cho, adv., so, as.

Chum, prep. and adv., towards, to. Ciabh, an, f., a lock of hair. Ciabh-ag, aig, agan, f., a small lock of hair. Cia? pron., which? what? Cinnt-each, iche, adj., sure. Ciod? pron, what? Ciuin, e, adj., mild. Clach, cloiche, an, f., a stone Clann cloinn(e), m. and f. children.Claoidh, idh. v. subdue. Cli, adj., wrong, left. Clisg, idh, eadh, v., start. Cliù, than, f., fame, praise. Clo-s, is, an, m., a rest. Clu-as, aise, asan, f., an ear. Oluinn, idh, tinn, v., hear. Cn-oc, uic, m., a hill. Codal, ail, alan, m., steep. Cog-adh, aidh, aidhean, m., a war. Coimhead, aidh, v., look. Coinn-eal, le, lean, f., a candle. Coinn-eamh, imh, f., a meeting. Còir, e, adj., right, proper. Còir, presence, proximity. Coire, achan, m., a hollow, a corrie. Comhairle, an, f., an advice. Comhd-aich, aich, achadh, v., cover. Comhnu-ich, ichidh, idh, v., dwell. Co-sheirm, f, a chorus, a choir. Cò-s, is, san, f., a cave. Cosmhuil, adj., like. Còta, ichean, m., a coat. Cra-nn, inn, m., a plough, a tree, a mast, a bar. Creid, idh, sinn, v., believe. Creutair, ean. m., a creature. Cri-och, ch, ochan, f., an end, limit. Crùthaichte, adj., created.

52 Cua-n, in, ntan, a sea, an ocean. Cuairt, ean, f., a round. Cuann-ar, aire, adj., elegant. Cuid, codach, f., a portion, property, some. Cuile-ag, ig, agan, f., a fly, an insect, Cuile-an, in, anan, m, a whelp. Cair, idh, cur, put, sow, send; cur an ceill, declare. Cù-l, il, lan, m., a back. Cum, aidh, ail, v., keep, hold; cum suas, uphold. Cumhachd, an, f,. power. Cunnt-as, ais, asan, m. an account, number. Dan, a adj., bold Daonnan, adv., always. Dearc-ag, aig, agan, f., a berry. Dealbh, aidh, v., shape. form. Deas, south. Deoch, an, f., a drink. De-ur, oir, m., a tear. Deireannach, adj., last. Do, prep., to; thig do, v., suit, Do bhrigh, adv., because. Doigh, e. ean, f., a manner. Doirt, idh, eadh, v, pour. Dor-us, uis, sa(n), m., a door. Driuchd, an, m., dew. i, m, duty, hereditary Dua-II, right. Dualach, adv., hereditary, natural. Du-bh, ibhe, adj., black. Duil, f., supposition, expectation. Duill-each, ich, f., foliage. Dùin, idh, eadh, v., shut, close. Ear, m, the east. Eag-al, ail, m., fear. Eibhinn, adj., joyful. Eile-an, in, anan, m., an island. Eil-id de, dean, f., a hind. Eir-ich, idh, v., rise. Eol-as, ais, m., knowledge.

E-un, oin, m., a bird. Fa-da, ide, adj., long; adv., far. Fad, aidh, adh, v., kindle. Fag, aidh, ail, v., leave. Far, adv, where. Farum-ach, aich, adj., noisy. Fas, fais, m., growth. Fàs, aidh, v., grow, become. Fàs-ach, aich, aichean, f.,a wilderness.

Feadh, air feadh, comp. prep, throughout.

Feallsan-ach, aich, m., a philoso-

pher. Feuch, aidh, ainn. v., see, try. Feud or faod, aidh, v, may. Feum, aidh, v., must. Fiadhaich, adj., wild. Finealta, adj, fine, pretty. Fior-uisge, m, pure water. Foca-l, il, m., a word. Fodha, prep., below; dol fodha,

setting Fòghluimte, adj., learned. Foighn-ich, ichidh, eachd, v., ask. Foills-ich, ichidh, eachadh, v.,

reveal, declare.

Fola-ich, ichidb, achadh, v. conceòl. Fonn, fuinn, m., a tune, me'ody.

Freag-air, raidh, airt, v. reply. Frith, e, ean, f., a forest, deer

forest. Fuachd, an, m., cold. Fua-r, ire, adj., cold, Fuar-an, ain, anan, m., a well. Gabh-aidh, ail, v. take. Gág-an, ain, m, clucking. Gaire, f, a laugh.

Gaisg-each, ich, m, a hero. Gamh-ainn, ne, ne, m; a yearold calf.

Ga-nn, inne, adj., scarce. Gao-l, il, m, love. Gao-th, ith, than f., wind. Gar, aidh, adh. v., warm. Geumnaich, f., lowing. Gille, an, m, a lad. Glac, aidh, adh, v., catch, seize. Glan, gloine, adj., clean. Gla-s, ise, adj., grey, green. Glè, adv., very.

Gleann, glinne, tan or taichean, m, a glen, a valley.

Glioca-s, is, m., wisdom. Gloc, m, cackling. Glòir, f., glory.

Glòir-mhoir, e, adj., glorious. Glua is, isidh, sad, v., move. Gniomh, a, an, m., a deed. Gorm, guirme, adj., blue, green.

Gnùis, ean, f., a countenance. Grà dh, idh, m., love. Grèidh, e, ean, f., a flock, a herd.

Grinn, e, adi, fine, elegant. Gu ruig, prep., to, unto.

Iar, m., the west. faru-nn, inn, m., iron.

Idir, adv, at all. Imich, idh, imeachd, v, go. Iomadh., adj, many a.

longant-ach, aiche., adj, wonderful, Iosal, isle, adj., low.

Inn-is, sidh, se or seadh, v, tell. Is, coni., and; v., is or are. Ith, idh, v., eat.

Labhair, labhraidh, labhairt, v. speak.

Langanaich, par.t, bellowing. La-mh, imh, f., a hand. Lathaireachd, f., presence. Lathail, adj, daily. Lean-abh, m, a child.

Leig, idh, eil, v., let; leig de, leave off, forsake. Leum, aidb, naich, v., leap, hurry.

Liath, aidh, adh, v., become grey. Loisg, idh, losgadh. v., burn. Lion, aidh, adh, v., fill, flow (of

tide.)

Lip, ean, f, a lip.
Lite, an, f, porridge.
Lom, atdh, adh, become or make
bare.
Luch, an, f, a mouse.
Luchd, m, people.
Luidh, idh, v, lie, set.
Luigh, ean, m, a herb.
Macha-ir, rach, richean, f, a
plain.
Maide, an, m, a stick.
Maoisl-each, ich, ichean, m, a roe
or doe.

Mar., adv., as.
Ma-ll, ille, adj., slow.
Méilich, f., bleating.
Meadh-on, oin, m., middle, mid.
Meang-an ain, anan, m., a twig.
Meas, an, m, fruit.
Me-ur, oir, oirean, f, a finger.
Mial-chu, m., a greyhound.
Mille tean, f, a mile; adj. and

Maoth, adj, tender.

n, a thousand. Miorbhuil-each, ich, adj., wonder-

ful.
Misg, e, f., drunkenness.
Moch muiche, adj., early.
Moch-eiridh, early rusing.
Mol, aidh, adh, v, praise.
Moran, m., much, many.
Moth-aich, aichidh, achadh, v, feel
Muir, mara, muirean, f, sea.
Muillion, e, m., a million.
Mu'n cuairt, adv, about
Mu'n cuairt, adv, prep with Dat.,
about.

Nadurra, adj., natural.
Nead, nid, an, f., a nest.
Neamh, neimh, an, m, heaven.
Neo (prefixed to Adjectives), not.
Nochd, a nochd, adv, to night.
Og, oige, adj, young.
Ord, uird, an, a hammer.
Or-bhui', golden yellow.

Os cionn, comp. prep., above. Otr-ach, aich, aichean, m., a dunghill. Pill-idb, eadh, or tinn turn. Poca, nnan, f., a pocket. Poit, e, ean, f., a pot. Priseil, e., adj., precious. Kàidhe an, a season, a quarter. Ràite (ràdh), part, saying. Raoir, an raoir adv., last night. Réidh, adj., clear. ready. Reotaidh, adj., frosty. Righ, rean, m, a king. Rioghachd, f, a kingdom. Riomh-ach, aiche, adi, gaudy.

Ròs, an, m., a rose. Roth-a, an, m., a wheel, an axis. Ruadh aidhe, adj, red, tawny. Ruadh-bhoc, ruadh-bhuic, m., a roe-buck.

roe-buck.
Rud, an, m, a thing.
Simbradh, aidh, aidhean, m,
summer.
Saogh-al, ail, m, the world.

Saoil, idh, sinn, v, suppose
each-ain, naidh, nadh, v., avoid
Sean, sine, { adj., old.
Seanl, adh, aidhean, m, a

view.
Searg, aidh, adh, v., fade.
Sgaoil, idh, eadh, v., spread.
Sgiathach, adj.. winged.

Sge-ul, il or oil, f., a story.
San, a, adj., whole, healthy.
Sleamhainn, adj., slippery.
Sliabh sleibh, sleibh-te or tean,

f, a mountain.

lua-gh, igh, sloigh, m, a people.

Smua-nich, nichidh, neachadh, v.,

think.

Snamh, aidh, v., swim. Snua-dh, idh, m.. appearance,

complexion.

Soraidb, farewell.

Spiora d, id, dan, m., a spirit. Starsnaich, e, ean, f., a threshold. Strith, e, ean, f., a strife. Suidh, idh, v., sit. Sùil, sula, ean, f. an eye. Suilbhir, e, adj., cheerful. Sunndach, adj, lively. Taigh or tigh, ean m., a house. Taingealeachd, f, thankfulness. Tal-amb, mhainn, amhan, m (Fem. in Gen. Case), the earth. Tana-ich, ichidh, chadh, v., get or make thin. Teas, an f., heat. Teich, idb, eadb, v., flee. Thar, prep., over. Till, idb, eadb, v, return. Tionnd-aidh, aidhidh, adh, v, turn. Tiodhlaic, ic, icean, m.. a gift. Tiormaich, idh, tiormachadh, v, dry.Tog, aidh, ail, v., raise. Toisich, idb, toiseachadh, begin.

Toit, ean, f., smoke, fume.

Toll, tuill, m., a hole Traogh, aidh, adh, v.. assuage. Treig, idh, sinn, v., forsake. freud, a or an, f, a flock. Trian, a, an, f., a third. Tric, adv., often. Trom, truime, adj., heavy. frua-gh, igh, e, adj., miserable. Tuar, m, colour, appearance. Tuath, f., peasantry; the north; adj., north. Tuig, idh, sinn, v., understand. Tuit, idh, eam, v, fall. Turs-ach, aiche, alj., sorrowful. Tuthag, an, f., thatch, patch, cover. Uaine, adi., green. Uair, e, ean, f., an hour, a time. Uall-ach, aich, adj, gay. Uasal, uaisle, noble, genteel. Ubh or ugh, uighe, uighean, m., an egg. Uile, adj, and n. m., all. Ur, adj, new. Urar, adj., fresh. Urraum, adj, possible - used with the Verb "is."

#### DAYS OF WEEK.

Sunday Di-Domhnuich) La na Sàbaid Di-luain Di-màirt

Di-ciadaoin Di-ardaoin Di-h-aoine Di-Sathuirne Sabbath Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Saturday

#### SEASONS.

Geamhradh Winter Earrach Spring Samhradh Foghair Ràidhe

Bealtuinn Samhuinn

Alexander

Archibald

Allan

Andrew

Angus

Charles

Dugald

Duncan

Henry

Summer Autumn ( Season

Three months Whitsuntide Martinmas

### NAMES OF FEMALES.

#### Ann Catherine, Kate, Christina Elizabeth Flora Grace Helen Isabella Janet Jane Margaret Mariory Martha Moireach Màiri Mary Mór

Sarah Sophia

#### Anna Caitriona, Ceat Cairistiona Ealasaid Fionnaghal Giorsail Eilidh Iseabal Seonaid Sine, Séana Mairearad Marsailidh

#### Hugh James John Kenneth Malcolm Simon Beathag William

### NAMES OF MALES.

Alasdair Ailean Aindrea Aonghas Gilleasbuig Tearlach Dúghall Donnchadh Eanruig Uisdean Seumas Lain Coinneach Callum

Sim Hilleam

### NAMES OF TOWNS.

#### Dun-eidionn Glaschu Smithla Peairt Obaireadhan Grianaig In'earnis An Eaglais Bhreac Lunuinn Bail-o-cliar An Ròimh Baile na h-Aithne

Glasgow Stirling Perth Aberdeen Greenock Inverness Falkirk London Dublin Rome Athens

Edinburgh

### NAMES OF COUNTRIES.

Albainn Eirinn Sasninn An Fhraing An Olaind Lochlainn An t-Suain A'Ghearmailt An Eadailt An Spainn An Tuirc A'Ghreig

Scotland Ireland England France Holland Scandinavia Sweden Germany Italy Spain Turkey

Greece

### KEY TO EXERCISES.

#### III.

Shoes. A tongue of a shoe. A cat's head. Cats' heads. A man's wife. On a shoe. On a cat. On land. A man and a woman. A poet's place. A poet's tongue. O poets! A lace and a shoe. Shoes and laces. A cat's ear. Cats' ears. Laces and tongues of shoes.

#### IV.

Cait, Tirean. Bròig. Bhròg. Air duine. Air bròig. Bhàrd. Teangaidhean bhròg. Iall bròige. Iallan bhròg. Aite chat. Cluas bàird. Air tir. Ceann tire.

#### V.

A day's work. A father's son. God's heart. Fathers and mothers. Sons of men. On a bed. A heart of flesh. Lands and towns. Water of a river. A deer's head. Hens' heads. O son! A brother's wife. A mother's sister. A son's wife. Women and men.

#### VI.

Fiaclan chat. Leabhar bàird. Beul aimhne. Coin agus cait. Peathraichean agus bràithrean. Lasraichean teine. Daoine agus mnathan, Aite athar. Oibre Dhé. Leabaidh aimhne. Teine agus uisge.

#### VII.

God's greatness and goodness. Good men are on land. At a wedding. At weddings. Tall workmen. Scotland's pipe. The sun is making warmth. Water of a river. A country's queen. Male calves. Calves and dogs. Men of Scotland. A little tree's head. Of a little oak tree. At land. In a place. In the place. A man's head. Smiths are doing work. With light. With a wife. Good sisters. The sun is givin light. Warmth of a fire. Hair of a woman's head. A river's mouth.

#### VIII.

Tha blaths agus soillse anns a' ghrian.
Anns an duthaich. Lasraichean teine.
Suilean mna.
Bordan agus teine. Ann an teine.
Anns an latha.
Saighdear agus oibriche.
Tha darach ann an Alba.
Anns an latha.
Saighdear agus oibriche.
Dàil latha.
Mac peathar.
Tha teine a tabhairt blàths. Tha uisge anns an amhainn.
Duine maith.
Le solus maith, Ann an àite aig baile.
Le peathar.
Obair màthar.

#### TX.

The books of the man are on the table in the room. The light of the day is good for the eyes. In the works. The God of the fathers. The heart of the country. The time-piece was making a noise. The watches are in the man's coat. Coats are on the men in the town. The long rivers. The noise of the stream. Of the book. Ine book. The sounds. For the chambers. For the hen. The light of the eyes. The morning. Of the morning. The rivers of the country. A dog's tooth. The teeth of the dogs. The teeth of the cog. The mouth of the dog. The work of the day. The father and the son. The sons of that man.

#### X.

Uisge nan amhainn. An amhainn. Uisge na h aimbne. Fiaclan na h-aimhne. Ann sruth uisge. Còta an duine. Ceann na leapa. Fuaim na h-aimhne. Anns an t-sùil. Tha uisge na h-aimhne maith. Air na h-uisgeachaibh. Bha an cu anns an t-sruth. Bha an duine aig a' bhòrd leis na leabhraichean. Cath chon. Tha na tuitean a deanamh fuaim. Tha còta an duine air a' bhòrd. Bha an t-atharrachadh maith. Cridhe an athar agus cridheachan nam mac. Sruth soluis. Anns na h-uisgeachhaibh. Ceann an latha.

### XI.

The man of the large head. Is that country better than Scotland? The country is the better of the water. The woman was very ill. This river is longer and broader than the largest rivers that are in Scotland. Beloved brethren, a good man is stronger than a great man. The people of evil hearts. In the great floods of strong waters.

#### XII.

Craobh ni's motha agus sruth ni's treise. Is fheàird an laogh so. Tha an duthaich so mór, tha an duthaich sin ni's motha, ach is i Albainu a's motha. Aig a' bhaile sin tha sruth leathau. Is misd na feidh sin. Bha an obair ro dhuilich. Bha an t-oibriche a deanamh droch fhuaim. An duime a's laidire agus a's fheàrr agus a bhean a's boidhche agus a's iommluinne. A bheil an leabhar mór?

#### XIII

Is every sixth man good? There are many Scotsmen in that land. Twenty cats and nineteen dogs. At the third hour. The men who are in the first places in the town. Many a woman is better than the best men (men who are best). A hundred thousand strong men and many (much) people are in that town. On the third day nine workmen were making the river broader. At the first light of the day. There are 31 books on the table in that room. It is twelve o'clock. Good men are rare (few) in these towns. This man's sister was very ill at six o'clock. That old woman is eighty years.

#### XIV.

Bha moran sluaigh anns an àite sin air ceud la na bliadhna. Tha tri cheud tri fichead agus cuig laithean anns a bhliadhna. Aig an t-seàthamh nair. Anns an fhichead baile a's mò anns an rìoghachd. Anns an t-seòmar bheag sia tha tri leapaichean, aon bhòrd, cuig cathraichean agus mòran leabhraichean. Ochd ceud deug ceithir fichead agus a seachd deug. Tha moran aimhnichean ni's fhaide na sin. Tha aimhnichean ni's liommhoire anns an dùthaich sin. Bha craobhan tearc. Tha beagan chraobh anns a bhaile. Am bheil dithis anns an uisge? Tha iad liommhoir. Tha bailtean tearc anns an tir sin.

#### XV.

Is that man worse than you? I (myself) and my wife and my sister's son were in your father's house on that day. Who is making that noise? That is a man who will not do evil. The man and his coat. Every man who was strong. Whatever town. What evil is in thine heart? Those are my books. Those who were in the house were ill. That is the man who was thruy-eight years in the house of my father's brother's son. Who art thou? I am a better man than thyself. What is this? This is a very difficult thing.

#### XVI.

Bha m' ochdnar mhac anns na h-oibribh air an la sin. Dean so agus is fheàird thu e. Bha moran chraobhan daraich anns an aite. Bha mi fein aig an taigh aig tri uairean. Tha sluaigh mo dhùthcha-sa ni's fhearr na bhur sluagh-sa. Bha sibh anns a bhaile sud. Tha bean an duine fein tinn. Tha sinn gle honmhoir ann ar baile ne.

#### XVII.

Are you ill? I am; are you (yourself) not? I am not very ill, but this other man is. Is it I who am ill? Were you saying that the flesh of a lamb is not as sweet as the flesh of a calf? I was not, but I was saying that it is not sweeter. Art thou the King of the Jews? In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. Do (the) good and do not (the) evil. Were you at your brother's house on that day? Who art thou who sayest (art saying) those things? If I had been there I would be worse than I am. Will you be there? Is she to be at home on that day? If you are not to be there I will not be.

#### XVIII.

Nach 'eil ise ni's boidhche na a piuthar? Bhiodh e ni's fhearr. Bha i ag radh nach 'eil móran nithe ni's fhearr na sin. Biodh iad an so aig naoi uairean anns a mhadainn. Bha e deanamh nithe a's mò na iad so. Co iad? An ise a tha deanamh an fhuaim ud? Bi thusa a' deanamh maith. Bha iad ag radh nach bitheadh e ni's fhearr na móran eile, Is mise a bha aig do thaigh. Nach bi mise an sin?

#### XIX.

You are not better than himself. That wicked man struck the little calf. A good name is better than much wealth. Let there be no evil in thy heart. We were struck with many a blow. Who is knocking at the door. The floods smote on the house, and it fell, and great was the fall of that house. He was smitten for men. If I shall be smitten, let me be smitten by the good man. The wicked man shall fall into many an evil, but God shall keep his own people. If thou wilt do (be doing) good, goodness shall be in thy house, and brightness in thy dwelling-place. The house in which he was. The blow with which we were struck.

#### XX.

Nach do bhuaileadh anns a cheann e leis an duine sin? Bha na fir so ag radh nach b' fheaird iad thusa Cha'n' eil solus ann an aitibh-comhnuidh luchd-oibre an uilc, ach tha solus Dhé air ceann an duine. mhaith. Buailibh iad agus tuiteadh am baile. Nam biodh e air a bhualadh mar a bha mise, thuiteadh e. Ciod am maith a tha ann an sin? Agus thuit deich mìle air fhichead sluaigh ann an aon la. Cha bhi solus na greine an sin.

#### XXI.

Is not that tree beautiful? (or, is not that a beautiful tree?). The good man is as a tree which grows by (at) the side of a river. The trees will drink of the water of the stream, and they will be glad; they will clap their hands (palms) and (they will) praise God. It is easier to swim against the water than with the stream. Give me water to drink. It was told me that thou wert the king of Israel. I tove God because he will give me that which will be good for me. The beast swam away. God says—Son, give me thine heart.

#### XXII.

Oladh na laoigh an t-uisge. Nach 'eil uisge maith airson laogh ?
Dh'innseadh domhsa gu'm bheil mòran beathaichean ag òl de uisge na
h-aimhne so, agus nach fheaird iad e. Bha an seann duine ud ag radh
gu'n d'fhàs a thri uain fein tinn leis au uisge. Filleamaid ar còtaichean,
agus faganaid iad an so. Seachain an t-olc, agus seachnaidh an t-olc
thusa. Nach creid thu a ni a ta mi ag iunseadh duit? B'fhearr tuiteam
anus a chath na ruith air falbh. Tha an duine sin 'g am sheachnadh gle
mhòr. Co e Dia gun creidinn e? Is e Dia athair nan uile.

#### XXIII.

I would go to any place to hear that man. I was struck for that which is at this house? Do not say anything against the king. Give me your hand. He came to his own country, but his own people did not give him honour.

Many of the beasts were found at the other side of the river.

#### XXIV.

Thugadh e domh-a a: ni a thug mi dba. Nan abairinn ni sam bith theirinn mar thubhairt thusa. Tha mise a dol air falbh agus cha'n fhaic sibh ni gu's an tig mi ann an glòir m' Athar. Innsear ni glòirmhoir mu chathair ar Dé-ne. Agus thubhairt e, Tuiteam ann an làmhan Dhé, agus na tuteam ann an làmhan dhaoine. Chunneadh e a' falbh agus a' fagail an aite.

#### XXV.

For the sake of the country. He is a good man compared with me. They went away with the calf. You are going against your father. Are they among us? You have a table there. There is nothing for these things but to do them.

#### XXVI.

Thainig e ré an latha. Chaidh e air sgath urraim. An cuala tu am fuaim ud thar an aimhne? An d' thug thu moran air a chu sin? Tha am baile eadar na h-aimhuichean. Fhuaradh e air eigin.

#### XXVII.

Who shalt tell thy father that thou art not alive? He fell not without fame in the battle. Let not anything be said against the Queen. Would it not be better for you to have this? What, said Ronan, do you see about Culmira, my lovely sweetheart? Give us to-day our daily bread. Let his left hand be under my head. And God saw the light that it was good. Keep the door of thy mouth in the house of God. Thou art in the presence of the King of Kings. I beard from him that the Queen's son is in a distant land.

#### XXVIII.

Thoireadh i dha gach ui a tha aice. Chi neach sam bith am maith a rinn thusa air mo shor-sa? Chunnaic mi e a dol dò'n bhaile aig cuig uairean. Dh' innis mi duit ach cha chreideadh tu mi. Am measg an t-sluaigh so uile nach 'eil a h-aon a dh' innseas so dhomh? Tha solus na greine againn re an latha. Nach cluiunear a chliu airson so? Cha 'n abaireadh e ni ole sam òith.

#### XXIX.

Can you see? He does not like him at all. It was not natural for that beast to be beautiful. If you desire, go away. She was not able to see anything. Those men have much wealth. We do not care what may be. I owe that man much.

#### XXX.

Is toigh leam sin. Tha duil againn tighinn. Tha moran leabhraichean agam. Is cruaidh leam sin a chreidsinn. Bha cu aige. Dh'innis mi dhuit gu'n robh mi coma dha. Is aithne dha ciod a tha e ag radh. Nach mithich dhuinn falbh ? Cha leir do'n t-sluagh an t-aite Is beag orm an duine sin.

#### XXXI.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. This same was at the beginning with God. All thin's were made by Him, and without Him there was not the thing made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. Concerning him, John said—Behold the Lamb of God! The eyes of the Lord are in every place, gazing on the bad men and on the good men. Thus shalt thou say to him—Rejoice not (make not rejoicing) against the good man; though he fall he shall rise again. I saw vesterday a thing which I never saw before, and which I shall never (not ever) see again.

#### XXXII.

Chunnaic tighearna na dùthcha ar bràthair agus mhol se e gu mór Tha focal De maith, tabhairt gàirdeachas d'a shluagh, agus a deanamh an cridheachan ait; cha chum e ni maith air bith uapa-san a ta creidsinn air 'ainm. Mo thruaighe, gu'm faicinn-sa an là! Air an taobh so agus air an taobh sin de 'n amhainn, bha craobh na beatha a fàs. Eirich agus tiugainn air falbh, oir tha an la goirid. Deanamaid ar n-obair a nis re an latha, oir thig an oidhche mu 'm bi ar n-obair deanta.











